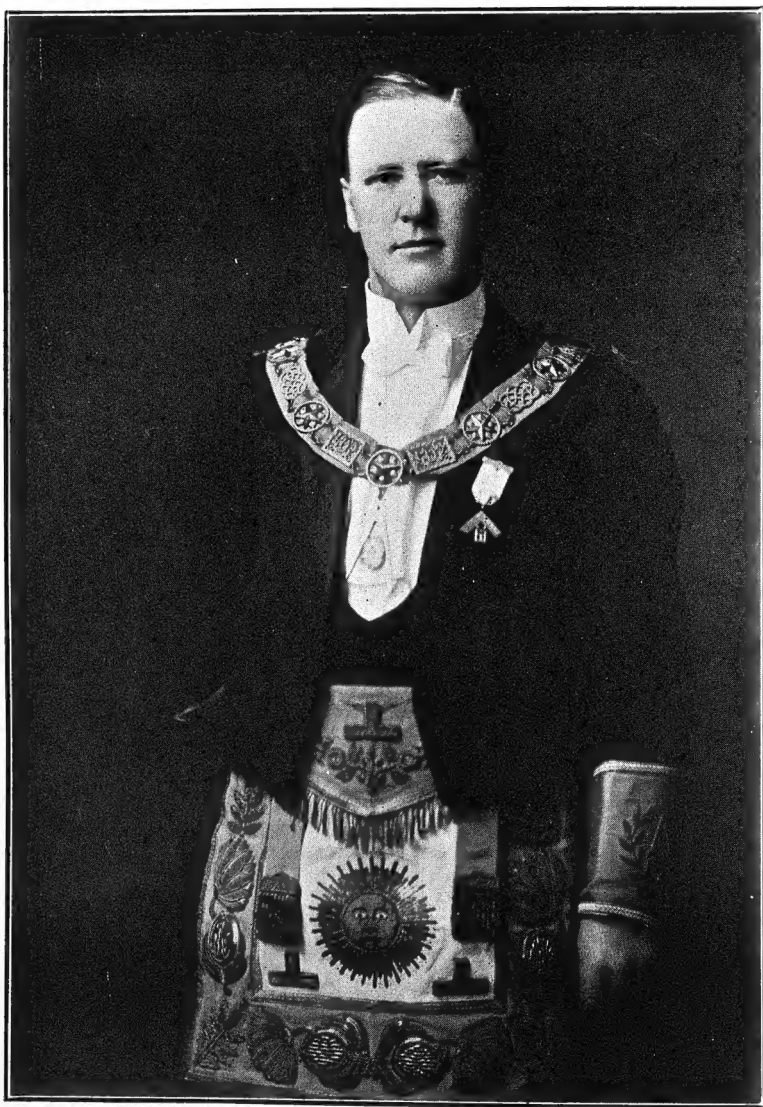




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ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

The Fifteenth Annal Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Alberta, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, was opened in Brewster's Hall, in the Town of Banff, Province of Alberta, on Wednesday, June 9th, A.D. 1920, A.L. 5920, at the hour of 10 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

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M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), Red Deer	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), Cowley	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), Camrose	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), Calgary	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. A. S. Estey (9), Calgary	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. J. Elliott (2), Medicine Hat	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. W. F. Cranna (10), Lacombe	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. A. T. Ross (80), Strome	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. V. C. W. Stanley (19), High River	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. L. D. Nesbitt (73), Brooks	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. C. J. Lakey (63), Edmonton	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. E. N. Barker (58), Cardston	D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. S. M. Snedden (91), Edmonton	D.D.G.M.
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R.W. Bro. D. H. Campbell (98), Delia	D.D.G.M.
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R.W. Bro. J. Gilespie (1), Calgary	Grand Registrar
R.W. Bro. Robt. Pearson (87), Calgary	Grand Chaplain
V.W. Bro. E. G. Ironside (23), Calgary	Grand Director of Ceremonies
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R.W. Bro. P. Fielding (38), Mannville	Grand Tyler

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M.W. Bro. Robt. Patterson (3), Macleod	Past Grand Master
M.W. S. Y. Taylor (28), Calgary	Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), Calgary	Past Grand Master

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Bro. W. M. Harte	J.W.	" U.D.

OPENING

A Constitutional number of Lodges being represented, the Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, and with prayer.

The M.W. the Grand Master granted permission for the admission of all Master Masons in good standing as visitors.

MINUTES

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray (2), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), "That the minutes of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge at the Fourteenth Annual Communication held in the city of Calgary, on June 11th and 12th, 1919, and as appear in the printed proceedings be taken as read and confirmed."

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Brethren:

Once again we are assembled in the midst of these scenes which eternally remind us that the wisdom of the G.A.O.T.U., has expressed itself in strength and beauty. Out of the chaos and struggle of contending forces in ages past there has come order and peace. Time, the great healer, has touched with gentle hand the wounds received in the fierce conflict through which Nature has passed and the resultant harmony has marvellous power to charm the soul of man.

We are reminded of the lines of Wordsworth: "I have learned to look on Nature, not as in the hours of thoughtless youth, but hearing oftentimes the still sad music of humanity, nor harsh or grating, though of ample power, chasten and subdue. And I have felt a Presence that disturbs me with the joy of elevated thoughts, a sense sublime of something far more deeply interfused whose dwelling is the light of setting Suns, and the round ocean, and the living air and the blue sky, and in the mind of man."

Nature may well serve as a back-ground for the activities of mankind, and in the laws which govern the World we find expressed these principles of order and progress which mark the history of mankind in all stages of his development. Already the world is beginning to recover from the effects of the World War, and we have reason to believe that the social unrest which was so much in evidence when we assembled just one year ago, will not result in the blind fury of destructive forces, but in a sane, constructive energy, which will erect upon firmly established foundations, a better and more glorious civilization. There is no doubt, Brethren, that among the factors which have helped to restore a spirit of harmony, Masonry has played a most important part. Never before have so many men of good report sought admission to the mysteries of our Craft, and never in all its history has Masonry been confronted with a greater opportunity than that which lies before us in the present time

"We are living, we are dwelling,
In a grand and awful time;
In an age on ages telling,
To be living in sublime."

Broad based upon these principles which underlay all human character refusing to recognize any barrier which would divide free men from having fellowship one with the other more than any other organization on earth, Masonry has within its power the ability to supply the cement of Brotherly Love, which is needed if the dream of a League of Nations is to result in the effective organization of humanity in relations of mutual service and helpfulness. The words of Rev. John Clifford, given in an address upon International Brotherhood recently, aptly apply to our present situation:

"The whole World is moving towards solidarity, the welding of the races of mankind into unity is being forged in the fires of an unequalled catastrophe. God's way is to make of one spirit and purpose all the sons of men, and owing to the movements of His Spirit, it is becoming more and more the way of man. Humanity has in every deed entered upon a fresh, and as far as one can see, a final stage in its 'corporate life.' The International is the dominant conception of the relations of men to men, a new consciousness, a new mind has entered the soul of the World."

Masonry is on the march and nothing can stop it. The road is steep and the summit is afar, and slowly every advance is made, but we are now climbing the rugged heights and in due time we shall arrive.

Changing the figure, Brethren, we may say that the unrest and confusion of today is due to the fact that we are leaving the low vaulted past of a selfish individualism and are erecting more stately mansions for mankind. We are beginning to see with clearer vision the designs which the Great Architect has left upon the trestle-board of time, and already we have commenced to build a new edifice more fitting to human requirements, more worthy of the Master of the Universe.

THE FRATERNAL DEAD

"We look before and after,
And sigh for what is not,
Our sincerest laughter
With some pain is fraught,
Our sweetest songs are those
That tell of saddest thought."

Death is no respecter of persons. None so obscure as to escape the summons, and none so great as to be exempt from the awful doom. Some answer in the morning, ere the sun has dried the dew that gives to life its sweetest fragrance, and fall asleep "under the shadow of the clouds, 'each in the windowless palace of rest.'" Others at high noon, when fatigue has not even warned the vigor and strength of manhood of the danger of excessive effort, are transformed from "the roar of conflict to the serenity of death;" and yet others in the quiet even-tide, see the sun sink low in the golden reflex of the celestial beyond, lie down under the burden of their years and pass on to "the tongueless silence of the dreamless dust," and hence each ebbing tide of eternity's sea bears away upon its bosom a phantom ship laden with the souls of men, while those left weeping on the shore cover precious dust with flowers moistened with their tears, and then in turn abide the time when they too shall sail away o'er the "unknown sea" to the haven of immortality.

Although death has not invaded the official ranks of our Grand Lodge during the past year, nevertheless, sixty-six "good men, and true," of this Grand Jurisdiction have answered the final summons and joined the innumerable host of silence. In addition to these, nine others have been reported during the year as having poured out their young life's blood on the fields of France and Flanders. Brethren, it is mete that in the presence of the shadow of death we should lay aside all arrogance and presumption and reverently honor our dead. To mourn our dead is not an evidence of weakness; to glory in the good deeds they have

done is a proof of strength; to profit by commendable example is our duty, and to anticipate the fulfillment of God's promise of reunion is our right. Therefore, let us not forget, but let our recollection be strong in a hope that is bright, and without a tincture of despair. Let us live, and die, possessed of that tender susceptibility which inspired Tennyson's beautiful expression of hope and faith:

"Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me,
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea,
But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam.
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.

"Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark,
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark;
For, though from out our bourne of time and place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar."

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION

The day following our last Annual Convocation, I held a meeting in the office of the Grand Secretary of all newly elected District Deputy Grand Masters then remaining in the city, together with the Senior Grand Warden, Deputy Grand Master, and the Grand Secretary. Realizing the great need of close co-operation between the Lodges and Grand Lodge, I advised the District Deputies that I purposed holding a Lodge of Instruction in each of the fourteen districts with the following objects:

- (a) To secure uniformity of degree work.
- (b) To insure, that in every Lodge one or more Past Masters are fully conversant with the Installation Ceremony.
- (c) To bring the officers and brethren of the several lodges in each district together, thus enabling them to fraternize one with the other, thereby creating a certain "esprit de corps" which is very essential in all well governed institutions.
- (d) To lay before all lodges the great need of bringing our Benevolent Fund up to a substantial amount.

As to our success in the foregoing, the reports of the District Deputies will disclose. Personally, I am satisfied that much good has been accomplished. Thanks to the District Deputy Grand Masters, who, together with the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Wardens, the Grand Secretary and all other Grand Lodge Officers, entered whole-heartedly and enthusiastically into the work of these Lodges of Instruction. Fourteen Lodges of Instruction were held in thirteen of the districts—only the farthest northern district being omitted, owing to the distance all would have to travel to attend. The brethren appreciated these meetings to such an extent that the place of meeting was chosen in most districts for

the coming year, with a secretary elected to keep a record of all present and the work appertaining to the Lodge of Instruction in his district. These joint meetings afford an opportunity for the officers and brethren to ask questions and gain information pertaining to Masonry generally, and Grand Lodge in particular, and they also afford some qualified brother an opportunity of laying before the lodges the great necessity of the brethren learning and practising the great fundamental principles of Masonry, as well as the ritualistic side of our beautiful ceremony.

M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor accompanied me to all of the fourteen Lodges of Instruction and, as a Custodian of the Rite, was called upon for many rulings and explanations, and he was always equal to the occasion. To him I owe a debt of gratitude which I can never repay. I am likewise indebted to the officers and members of the lodges who gave every assistance and co-operation in the making of these district meetings the success they were.

VISITATIONS

Almost my first official act was the installation of the officers of my own lodge, Kenilworth No. 29, which took place on June 24th. I found a largely attended meeting; among the brethren present being a large number of visitors from Eureka Lodge, No. 10, Lacombe, as well as Red Deer Lodge, No. 12; R.W. Bro. W. F. Cranna, D.D.G.M., of the Fourth Masonic District, assisted me in the work. A large number of Past Masters and other visitors were present.

July 8th—I constituted and consecrated Carbon Lodge, No. 107. The lodge was opened at 4 p.m., with a very good attendance. I was ably assisted by M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary, and a number of Past Masters and brethren of Acme Lodge, No. 60. M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor installed the officers in a most creditable and pleasing manner, after which adjournment was made to the banquet room where a very pleasant social hour was spent.

July 25th—On invitation from the brethren of Edmonton, I attended a luncheon where I met over 135 members of the Craft from 28 lodges of this and other Grand Jurisdictions. R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz gave a very inspiring and instructive address.

July 28th—I constituted and consecrated Lomond Lodge, where I was again ably assisted by M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary, three P.D.D.G.M.'s, and a large number of visiting brethren from the surrounding lodges, many of whom drove a distance of sixty miles in order to bring their fraternal greetings. W. Bro. Flood furnished his car to convey us from Vulcan to Lomond, and to him and all other visiting brethren I extend my sincere thanks.

Sept. 3rd.—On invitation from Bowden Lodge, No. 42, I paid them an official visit and was accompanied by R.W. Bros. Cranna and Caruthers, and a number of Past Masters and brethren from Eureka Lodge, No. 10, Lacombe, Red Deer Lodge, No. 12, Red Deer, and Kenilworth Lodge, No. 29, Red Deer.

Sept. 9th—On invitation from Doric Lodge, No. 31, Taber. I paid an official visit and found there awaiting my arrival, 110 members from six of the lodges of that district. R.W. Bro. J. Elliott, D.D.G.M., District

No. 2, was present and also a large number of visitors from the Lethbridge Lodges. A very enthusiastic meeting was enjoyed, many of the visiting brethren of this district driving as far as 65 miles in order to show their loyalty to the Order and appreciation of the attendance of Grand Lodge Officers in their district.

Oct. 6th—We held our first Lodge of Instruction at Nanton, in District No. 6. There was an afternoon and evening meeting. Every lodge of this district had its representatives with a total of 138 in attendance. R.W. Bro. Stanley, D.D.G.M., of District No. 6 had been most active and everything pertaining to order and good government was in evidence. M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor made an eloquent appeal on behalf of our Benevolent Fund, and a fine response was the result. I was also accompanied by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, Junior Grand Warden, and R.W. Bro. Pearson, Grand Chaplain. I look back with pleasant recollections on this, the first of our fourteen Lodges of Instruction.

Oct. 7th—Lethbridge District No. 11; 148 brethren were in attendance from ten of the eleven lodges in this district. A most enthusiastic afternoon and evening session was held. I was accompanied by M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. J. H. Kemmis, D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Robt. Pearson, Grand Chaplain; and R.W. Bro. E. N. Barker, D.D.G.M., and many Past Masters and brethren of other lodges. At the banquet it was reported that there were members in attendance from twenty-two lodges, hailing from five different countries. A most enjoyable and instructive meeting was brought to a close in order that we might catch our train for Coleman, the next place of meeting.

Oct. 8th—Coleman, District No. 8. This Lodge of Instruction was opened at 10.30 a.m., with three of the six lodges of this district in attendance. Owing to the severe weather the three remaining lodges in this district were unable to make the trip by motor as intended. A very enthusiastic meeting, however, was held, with R.W. Bro. Cruickshank, D.D.G.M., in charge, and the work exemplified by well skilled and proficient brethren. R.W. Bro. Ouimette, P.D.D.G.M., was ever present to lend timely assistance. I was again accompanied by R.W. Bro. Kemmis, D.G.M., and, of course, M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary. Attendance, 57.

Oct. 9th—Medicine Hat, District No. 2. Owing to the continued disagreeable weather there were but five out of the eight lodges in this district represented. Nevertheless, a very enthusiastic and profitable meeting was held. R.W. Bro. Murray Bell and Fawcett, as well as R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott, D.D.G.M., were very active in seeing that every courtesy was extended and that the lodge work progressed smoothly and harmoniously. Our Deputy Grand Master again favored this meeting with his presence.

Oct. 10th—Bassano, District No. 7. We found 65 enthusiastic members awaiting us, four of the five lodges in this district were well represented, with R. W. Bro. Nesbitt, D.D.G.M., in charge. The Third Degree was exemplified by the officers of Bassano Lodge in a most creditable and efficient manner, after which the usual instruction was given and problems fully discussed by all members present; M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor completing the evening with an instructive address.

Oct. 20th—Hanna, District No. 14. Arriving at our destination at three o'clock in the morning, we found two Worshipful Brethren awaiting us at the station, who kindly escorted us to their homes. The following afternoon and evening we found a very good attendance awaiting us, especially a number of P.D.D.G.M.'s, and also a number of Past Masters and brethren from Acadia and Hand Hill Lodges. Degree work was exemplified and the usual discussion followed.

I particularly wish to pay my respects to an elderly brother who drove fifty miles through a blinding rain and sleet storm in order to attend this lodge. He informed me that he was fifty-one years a Mason and that he had never missed an opportunity of attending a Lodge of Instruction or any other lodge where a Grand Lodge representative was present. This impressed me with the thought that a vast difference appears between this worthy brother and many of our brethren who, although lodges are held in their own home town, cannot find time to attend.

Oct. 21st—Alix. Owing to a misunderstanding with the lodge of District No. 9, there were no brethren from other lodges present. A fraternal visit was paid to Ionic Lodge, No. 45, and arrangements made to hold the Lodge of Instruction at Stettler on November 4th.

Oct. 22nd—Camrose District No. 5. Unseasonable weather again interfered with the attendance of brethren from some of the lodges of this district. There was, however, a large number of members from Camrose and Excelsior Lodges. A very profitable and instructive meeting was held under the guidance of R.W. Bro. Ross, D.D.G.M., of this district. R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge, Senior Grand Warden, was also present and took part in the proceedings. After a very delightful banquet, the Third Degree was exemplified and a very pleasant evening was brought to a close.

Oct. 23rd—Lacombe, District No. 4. Owing to this district having twelve lodges, it was decided to hold two Lodges of Instruction—the one at Lacombe, in the Northern part of the district, and the other at Didsbury, in the South. Wetaskiwin Lodge, No. 15, exemplified the First Degree in a very creditable manner. A great deal of interest was shown in this Lodge of Instruction, which was presided over by R.W. Bro. Cranna, D.D.G.M., R.W. Bros. Carruthers and Watson, and a large number of brethren from No. 12, Red Deer, including 23 Past Masters, were present and took part in the work. M.W. Bro. Taylor favored the brethren with one of his many instructive addresses on Masonry, which was greatly appreciated.

Oct. 24—Didsbury District, No. 4. King Hiram Lodge, No. 21, Didsbury, exemplified the Third Degree in a most pleasing and thorough manner. This District meeting was very poorly attended. The Southern portion appeared to be very inactive. The lodges located at Carstairs, Crossfield and Olds, were unrepresented, although only but half an hour's drive by auto from the place of meeting.

Nov. 3rd—Chauvin, District No. 3. R.W. Bro. Styles, D.D.G.M., made all arrangements for two Lodges of Instruction within his district. Unfortunately necessity required his removal from this Grand Jurisdiction and I appointed R.W. Bro. J. W. Gillespie, Grand Registrar, as his successor in office. Although R.W. Bro. Styles served only about half his term in office, it was pleasing to find that he had been very active

in the discharge of his duties, having visited every lodge in his district. The Third Degree was exemplified by the officers of Albion Lodge, after which a general discussion on Masonry as well as our Benevolent Fund, took place. An adjournment was then made to the banquet room, where a pleasant hour was spent and another day brought to a close.

Nov. 5th and 6th—Lodges of Instruction including all lodges in Districts 3, 10 and 12, were held in the city of Edmonton on these dates. Degrees were exemplified by several lodges, both afternoon and evening, and the work reviewed by M.W. Bro. Taylor, Custodian of the Work. Interesting discussion took place and a very enjoyable and profitable time was spent. An appeal was made on behalf of our Benevolent Fund. There was a good attendance at every session. Among the officers and past officers of Grand Lodge present, were: M.W. Bros. Bishop and Darling, R.W. Bros. J. Watson Younge, Senior Grand Warden, F. S. Selwood, Junior Grand Warden, also R.W. Bros. Lakey and Snedden, D.D.G.M.'s, of Districts Nos. 10 and 12 respectively.

Nov. 7th—Stettler, District No. 9. Our second attempt to hold a Lodge of Instruction in this district was only fairly successful. Only three out of six lodges in this district were represented. I must, however, recognize the good attendance of members from Stettler, Alix and Mirror Lodges. R.W. Bro. Darlow, D.D.G.M., of this district, with four Past Masters of his own lodge, were present and gave every assistance in the carrying on of the work. The Third Degree was exemplified by Apollo Lodge, No. 27, Stettler, in a very creditable and pleasing manner. An interchange of visits among the lodges of this district, I feel confident, would be beneficial.

Nov. 29th—Calgary, District No. 1. Here I found the largest attendance of any of the fourteen district meetings, there being over 300 present. The First Degree was exemplified by Carbon Lodge, No. 107 and Cascade Lodge, No. 5. The work was pleasing to witness, instructive and inspiring. This meeting was favored by the presence of P.G.M.'s Blair and Connacher, R.W. Bro. Kemmis, D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Selwood, J.G.W., R.W. Bro. A. S. Estey, D.D.G.M., presided. Many brethren from lodges outside of this jurisdiction attended, not forgetting the presence of M.W. Bro. Taylor, Grand Secretary, who has so faithfully attended every Lodge of Instruction held during the past year. The banquet was enjoyed by the large gathering and good fellowship reigned supreme.

Dec. 18th—On invitation of the Worshipful Master I paid an official visit to Innisfail Lodge, No. 8, in order that I might more clearly place before the brethren of this lodge the needs and objects of our Benevolent Fund. I found a good attendance of the brethren who, after the work of the evening, adjourned to the banquet room where I then explained fully the matter on which I had been requested to address the brethren. After full explanation, I found that the brethren of this lodge were ready and willing to stand behind our Benevolent Fund, which is evidenced by the receipt of a cheque in full for their quota on a per capita basis.

Dec. 27th—Red Deer Lodge, No. 12, extended an invitation to me to instal their officers. I found a large attendance of members and visitors. R.W. Bro. Pidgeon acted as Director of Ceremonies, after which an adjournment was made to the banquet hall where a very pleasant hour was spent.

Dec. 30th—On invitation from Ashlar Lodge, No. 28, Calgary, I attended a meeting of the installation of their officers by M.W. Bro. Taylor, who, in his usual proficient manner, made this very necessary degree a pleasant and instructive one. He also delivered a lecture to all candidates raised during the year 1919, of which there were over thirty present. I find that this lodge takes every opportunity of having prominent brethren of this and other jurisdictions address the lodge on Masonic subjects, six of such meetings having been held during the past year. I noted from the report of the Treasurer that there were but \$38.00 outstanding dues. I doubt if there is another lodge in Western Canada that could equal this showing. Their officers must have had a very active year. Twenty-eight meetings were held. This lodge has become noted for the good fellowship and fraternal feeling that now exists among its members and visitors at its numerous social functions. The following Grand Lodge Officers were present on this occasion, besides M.W. Bro. Taylor, Grand Secretary: R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, J.G.W., R.W. Bro. A. S. Estey, D.D. G.M., R.W. Bro. John Gillespie, Grand Registrar, also many Past D.D. G.M.'s, and a large number of Past and Worshipful Masters of Sister Lodges.

Feb. 16th—Accompanied by M.W. Bro. Taylor, we made a visit to the town of Canmore, as a number of brethren petitioned for a dispensation for the opening of a lodge in that town. After going carefully into all the local conditions, inspecting their proposed lodge room, etc., it was our intention to proceed to Banff in order to visit Cascade Lodge, whose brethren were not unanimously in favor of recommending that a new lodge be opened so close to Banff. Owing to train service and heavy snowfall, we were unable to reach Banff. However, since my visit, circumstances have arisen which have caused the petitioners to request that the granting of a dispensation be left in abeyance for the present.

March 12th—Calgary Lodge, No. 23, Calgary. On invitation of the Master and officers of this lodge, I attended officially in order to take part in their annual "Irish Night." I found the lodge room crowded to the doors, there not being a vacant seat, and many of the brethren forced to be content with resting as easily as possible on the chairs of others. Three bright candidates received their First Degree, which was conferred in a very excellent manner. I had the extreme pleasure of meeting two of our Past Grand Masters in the persons of M.W. Bros. Patterson and Blair, as well as many P.D.D.G.M.'s Masters and Brethren of Sister Lodges. An early adjournment was made to the banquet room which was decorated in real Irish style. The speeches were full of Irish wit, and the songs fitted the occasion. This lodge is becoming noted for the celebrating of St. Patrick's night. The officers and members of this lodge have been particularly kind to me for a number of years past and I greatly appreciate their annual invitation.

March 19th—Red Deer. My own lodge having decided to hold a reunion of its members, I was invited to attend officially. Every Past Master of this lodge, since its institution, except two, were present, many of them coming from the extreme parts of the province. I was pleased to have accompanying me M.W. Bro. Taylor, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Kemmis, D.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge, S.G.W., as well as R.W. Bros. Pidgeon, Stephenson and Ouimette. There were over one hundred members and visitors present. R.W. Bro. Ouimette, Kenilworth's first master, who is esteemed and loved by all its members, gave

an instructive address to a class of fifteen newly-made Masons, while M.W. Bro. Taylor gave an eloquent and inspiring address on Masonry and its traditions. Deputy Grand Master Kemmis then, on behalf of Kenilworth Lodge, presented me with a Life Member Certificate. Adjournment was then made to the banquet room, where speech, song and story held sway for several hours. Here I also found myself the recipient of an illuminated address, a beautiful case of Fourth Degree Working Tools, and a handsome silver tea service, the same being presented on behalf of Red Deer Lodge, No. 12, and Kenilworth Lodge, No. 29. Words fail me to adequately express my deep appreciation of these tokens of esteem and the true fraternal spirit in which the whole evening's programme was carried out.

April 6th—Leduc. On invitation of the Master of Star of the West Lodge, No. 34, I made an official visit to this lodge. As this was my first home town in Alberta 20 years ago, I still found many true and old friends gathered about the lodge room. The Third Degree was exemplified in such a manner as to show that the officers and brethren of this lodge are fully proficient. R.W. Bro. Lowry, presided at the banquet table.

April 15th—Ponoka. I was invited by R.W. Bro. Cranna, D.D.G.M., of District No. 4, to officially attend, and on behalf of the twelve lodges of this district, to present R.W. Bro. Kerr with a beautiful P.D.D.G.M.'s Jewel, as evidence of the esteem in which he is held throughout the district. R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers, and a number of officers and brethren of Eureka Lodge, No. 10, were present in this occasion.

April 23rd—Bassano. At the request of R.W. Bro. Nesbitt, D.D.G.M., of District No. 7, and the W.M. of Bassano Lodge, I made an official visit (accompanied by M.W. Bro. Taylor, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. Selwood, J.G.W.). The purpose of our visit was to confer with them as to certain irregularities which had taken place in this lodge. It is pleasing to report that after going fully into the question at issue, matters were so adjusted that a unanimous resolution was passed, agreeing that the past should be forgotten and the members should work together with that true Masonic spirit which at all times should prevail. I am deeply indebted to M.W. Bro. Taylor and R.W. Bro. Selwood, for their valuable services rendered on this occasion.

May 1st—Edmonton. Fulfilling a promise made to a very personal friend and brother while overseas in France, some two years ago, I paid an official visit to Commercial Lodge, No. 81. The membership of this lodge is composed mostly of commercial travellers. There was no work other than the usual business of the lodge, after which an adjournment was made to the banquet room where music, song and story intermingled with bright Masonic speeches, were enjoyed by all.

I regret exceedingly that I was unable to visit a greater number of lodges in our Grand Jurisdiction, but they have become so numerous that it is now a physical impossibility for your Grand Master to visit every lodge in the province, during his year of office. I had, however, the great pleasure of meeting representatives of nearly every lodge at our District Meetings, and I feel that this must become to a still greater degree the recognized medium in the future.

DISPENSATIONS

A complete list of the dispensations issued by me will appear in the Grand Secretary's report. In all instances where dispensations were granted to lodges to receive and act upon the petitions of rejected candidates for the degrees within the prescribed time, and to receive and act upon the petition for degrees of persons who did not possess the necessary qualifications of residence, the requirements of the Constitution were strictly complied with. All others were refused.

Several requests were made by lodges for dispensations to confer the Degrees upon candidates with physical defect. I granted such only to those who were certified by the officers of the lodge as being able to comply with the requirements of our Ceremonies.

DECISIONS

I refused a dispensation to a lodge to attend the funeral of a dismissed brother who was unaffiliated with any lodge.

Regarding Clause 233 of the Constitution, I ruled that if a brother is suspended by the lodge for non-payment of dues and is not restored within one year of the date of suspension, he may make application in the regular way if he is seeking restoration. The application must take the regular course and lay over for one month and notice of the application appear on the next regular monthly notice, the vote then taken shall be by written ballot and it shall require a majority to re-elect the applicant.

I refused a lodge a dispensation to initiate more than five candidates at one meeting.

I refused a dispensation to a lodge to confer the Third Degree out of time, on a brother who is remaining in the province.

I held that a lodge could not refuse to consider applications for membership for any stated period; that an application in proper form recommended by two brethren and received by the Secretary of the lodge, must take its usual course.

I held that a lodge under dispensation could not grant a dimit to one of its members.

A lodge in this jurisdiction having accepted a brother from another lodge in the province without a dimit, I ruled that he was not legally a member of the lodge with which he affiliated.

I held that an Entered Apprentice cannot purchase Life Membership in a lodge.

COMMISSIONS

Upon the request of Zetland Lodge, No. 83, Calgary, I appointed R.W. Bro. John Gillespie, W. Bro. Jos. T. Shaw and W. Bro. W. E. Hall, a Commission to try a brother, against whom a charge of un-Masonic conduct had been laid. The Commission found the charges to be true and the accused brother was indefinitely suspended from all the rights and privileges of Freemasonry. They also recommended to Grand Lodge that he be expelled.

Upon the request of North Star Lodge, No. 4, Lethbridge, I appointed M. W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson, R.W. Bro. J. S. Stewart, and R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey, a Commission to try a brother against whom a charge of un-Masonic conduct had been laid. The Commission found the charges to be true and the accused brother was indefinitely suspended from all the rights and privileges of Freemasonry. They also recommended his expulsion.

Upon the request of King George Lodge, No. 59, Calgary, I appointed R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, W. Bro. H. R. Chauncey and W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, a Commission to try a brother against whom a charge of un-Masonic conduct had been laid. The Commission found the charges to be true and the brother was likewise indefinitely suspended from all the rights and privileges of Freemasonry.

BENEVOLENT FUND

It has been exceedingly gratifying to me to witness the generous response made by many lodges in this jurisdiction to the appeal made on behalf of our Benevolent Fund. We have now about \$45,000 invested in Dominion and Provincial Securities, and this, together with our other investments, make a substantial Capital Fund, the interest of which will be available for distribution. I trust that our brethren will plan for additional undertakings during the coming year and that soon our contributions towards this cause will worthily compare with that accomplished by Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

OBSERVATIONS

The increase of membership has been exceptional. 995 were initiated during the past year. The reason for this rapid increase I am unable to explain. I trust that all have sought admission from the most worthy motives. I would, however, offer a word of caution, especially to those committees entrusted with the investigation of the character of the applicant. Let the work be complete and thorough.

Dr. Mackey in his text book on Masonic Jurisprudence says: "We need not fear that our institution will suffer from a deficiency of members. Our greater dread should be that in its rapid extension less care may be given to the selection of candidates than the interests and welfare of the Order demand."

Let me urge the Masters of Lodges especially, the desirability of a closer study of the Constitution. Mistakes have been made in several instances through a lack of knowledge of its regulations. It is perhaps unnecessary for me to add that it is imperative that these regulations be strictly adhered to.

I find that many members of our lodges have not been supplied with a copy of the Constitution and By-laws of the lodge as required by Section 204 of the Constitution. This should be remedied at once.

Greater emphasis should be given to the study side of Freemasonry. I find everywhere that members are anxious for a wider and more extended knowledge of what Masonry is and what it stands for, and I

hope that in the near future more time will be given at our Lodges of Instruction, to addresses delivered by competent Craftsmen.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That a Lodge of Instruction be held, where possible, annually in every district in the province.
2. That this Grand Lodge decide upon ways and means of increasing the Capital Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge.

INVITATION

I received a very cordial invitation from the M.W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, to be present and join with them in celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Institution of this Grand Lodge on October 30th and 31st, 1919, and regret very much that I was unable to represent this Grand Lodge on that occasion.

CONCLUSION

Before concluding this report, I feel that I would be remiss in my duties and ungrateful were I not to acknowledge with sincere thanks the great assistance I have received at all times from M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary, who has been ever ready to accompany me throughout the province. His counsel, co-operation and good fellowship have gone a long way in making the labors of this year a pleasure.

And now, brethren, as my term of office as Grand Master is about to expire, and though other hands than mine will hold the Tiller Rope of the Masonic Craft, I shall always be found one of the crew, ready and willing to obey the orders of my Captain. I greatly esteem the honor you have conferred on me as the highest this world can ever bestow. I would rather be Grand Master of the Masons of Alberta than Premier of this fair Province.

Words fail me when I try to express in appropriate and fitting terms, the appreciation of the honor you have done me. From the depths of my heart, I give you my sincere thanks. May Heaven's richest blessings descend upon you all, and may He, who never slumbers nor sleeps, guide, direct and prosper you in all your undertakings. Finally, brethren, as one by one we lay down the working tools of life, may we all in the fullness of time, meet around our sacred altar in the Celestial Grand Lodge above, where at last we shall come into the full Sunshine of that Light we have been struggling for so long.

"Hands round, ye faithful craftsmen, in bright fraternal chain:

We'll part upon the square below to meet in Heaven again.

Each link that has been severed here shall be cemented there,

And no one lost around the Throne who parts here on the square."

Yours Fraternally,

W. J. BORTERILL,

Grand Master.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), "That the Grand Master's address as presented be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's address.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters of regret from M.W. Bro. H. Darling, P.G.M., and V.W. Bro. W. F. W. Carstairs, at their inability to be present were read and ordered to be filed.

A telegram was also presented and read from M.W. Bro. W. D. Macpherson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario), expressing his personal regret at being unable to attend our annual Communication as a guest of this Grand Lodge. This communication was also ordered to be filed.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

Calgary, June 5th, 1920.

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

In submitting this my official report for Masonic District No. 1, I regret very much to report my inability to visit one of the Lodges, viz.: King Solomon. All the other lodges I visited once and some several times. On each occasion of an official visit I was received with the honor due the representative of the Grand Master of our Order. Great enthusiasm prevails in this District and a great increase in our members has resulted.

It has been my pleasure to witness many initiatory ceremonies as well as the ordinary business sessions of the various lodges, and I am pleased to report that the Masters, Wardens, and other officers have shown great skill in the performance of their several duties.

The social side of our Order has been more permanently brought to the front this year which has resulted in many fraternal visits amongst the lodges, which has done much towards developing true friendship amongst the brethren.

The average attendance has been good. In many cases it is 33% of the membership and in one case 45%.

The condition of our Order in this district is most satisfactory. Every lodge is active, with bright prospects for the future. The officers are proficient and enthusiastic, and harmony prevails throughout the district.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

A Lodge of Instruction for this district was held in Calgary, Nov. 20th, 1919. This meeting was largely attended. The E.A. degree was exemplified in both Rites. Cascade Lodge, No 5, exemplifying the York Rite, and Carbon Lodge, No. 107, the Canadian Rite. After each degree the Custodian of the Work answered questions and gave explanations of the work. Questions of a constitutional nature were discussed which were for the general good of the Order. Minutes of this meeting are on record in the office of the Grand Secretary.

On March 24th, 1920, a meeting was held in the Grand Secretary's room for the purpose of discussing the feasibility of establishing a Central Masonic Bureau. To this meeting were invited the Master, Wardens and Secretaries of the various City Lodges. This meeting was well attended and it was unanimously resolved that such a Bureau be formed; but that before going any further every lodge should be provided with a prospectus, and the result of the vote of each lodge, either for or against, be sent to the D.D.G.M., and that then further action be taken.

Having received so far reports from only four lodges I have taken no further action but would recommend to my successor that he take this matter up again as I believe it to be in the best interests of Masonry.

In visiting the various lodges, while I noticed great attention was paid to degree work, care of the sick, the poor and distressed, yet I noticed great neglect in regard to the Historical Register and Black Book. While all their books were well and neatly kept the Historical Register had in many instances not been written up for years.

I would also wish to call to your attention that the Black Book, as now issued, is not efficient. It lacks in the fact that it has no index. I would suggest that this be looked into and that Indexed Books be issued in future.

Another matter I wish to bring to the attention of Grand Lodge is the great difference in the fees charged by the different lodges for affiliation. It ranges from nothing to \$20.00. I would suggest that Grand Lodge set the fee for affiliation and make it uniform throughout the Jurisdiction.

Another suggestion as the ruling of the Statistical Reports for the Districts. Several columns that are now single should be double and the double single. I have called the Grand Secretary's attention to this. It will make a better looking report and be easier for the D.D.G.M's.

The Grand Lodge Relief Fund has been greatly augmented this year. Several lodges which heretofore had not contributed, have this year made substantial contributions and it now looks as though the objective will be obtained in the near future.

In conclusion I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by the lodges of this district in electing me their D.D.G.M.

I also wish to thank the lodges for the many kindnesses shown me and my family during my illness last winter.

My visits to the various lodges were of the most pleasant nature and in many instances the lodge room was crowded. On many occasions I

was accompanied by a number of members of my own lodge, and Past and present Grand Lodge officers.

I wish also to express my appreciation to my Secretary, W. Bro. V. H. Macauley for the splendid services rendered by him, and wish to commend him to Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

A. S. ESTEY,
D.D.G.M., District No. 1.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

Medicine Hat, May 14th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro. :—

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in the Second Masonic District for the term of 1919-1920.

DORIC LODGE, NO. 31

I accompanied the M.W. the Grand Master on an official visit to this lodge on Sept. 9th, when a large number of brethren from Bow Island, Grassy Lake, Warner, Foremost, Lethbridge and Taber were present. W. Bro. Veal and his officers of Warner Lodge conferred the M.M. Degree in a very impressive manner after which the brethren listened to a very instructive address by the M.W., the Grand Master.

I again visited this lodge on March 23rd when W. Bro. Munro and his officers conferred the M.M. degree in a highly creditable manner. The books of this lodge are very well kept.

SUFFIELD LODGE, NO. 85

I visited this lodge on Dec. 27th, accompanied by R. W. Bros. George Murray and S. T. Fawcett, and a number of Past Masters and brethren of Medicine Hat. On this occasion I had the pleasure of installing the officers for the year 1920.

I again visited this Lodge on May 12th accompanied by R.W. Bro. E. A. Bell, W. Bros. V. W. Parrish and W. Johnson, of Medicine Hat. The F.C. Degree was conferred by W. Bro. Booth and his officers in a very able manner.

BOW ISLAND LODGE, NO. 64

On March 2nd I made my official visit to this lodge. Owing to the extremely cold weather there was no degree conferred but from my personal knowledge of W. Bro. Bell and his officers I am convinced that this lodge is well officered and they are fortunate in having as their secretary, R.W. Bro. Bateman, as the books are very well kept.

GRASSY LAKE LODGE, NO. 57

I visited this lodge officially on April 8th when the E.A. Degree was exemplified in a very pleasing manner by the W.M., and his officers. Although one of the smallest lodges in the district I am pleased to state it is one of the most enthusiastic, as most of the members live at some distance in the country.

MIZPAH LODGE, NO. 35

I had the pleasure of installing the officers of this lodge at a joint meeting with Medicine Hat Lodge, on Dec. 29th. On this occasion I was assisted by R.W. Bro. E. A. Bell, R.W. Bros. S. T. Fawcett, and George Murray. This was one of the largest and most enjoyable meetings of my term. I again visited this lodge on May 7th, accompanied by R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart, one of the stalwart Past Masters of this lodge. At this meeting the E.A. Degree was conferred by R.W. Bro. A. G. Finch and his officers in a very capable and painstaking manner. This lodge is to be congratulated in having such an efficient and energetic Secretary as Bro. W. B. Stevens. The books are certainly a credit to any lodge.

QUARRY LODGE, NO. 70

It was my pleasant duty to install the officers of this Lodge on Dec. 30th. On this occasion I was assisted by R. W. Bro. George Murray. There being no degree work the evening was given up to the social side. I again visited this Lodge on April 20th and witnessed the E.A. Degree conferred by W. Bro. Stone in a very able manner. The books are well kept, but I regret that harmony does not exist in this Lodge as it should do.

FOREMOST LODGE, NO. 103

I regret very much that I was unable to visit this Lodge, owing to the early fall and late spring I was unable to go down there by car. This lodge has had quite a struggle owing to having no crops in the country, but the officers and members have the right spirit and I know they are doing a good work.

MEDICINE HAT LODGE, NO. 2

This being my own lodge I installed the officers on Dec. 29th at a joint meeting with Mizpah Lodge. I visited this lodge officially on Feb. 25th, when the M.M. Degree was conferred on a number of Fellow Crafts in a very impressive manner by W. Bro. Parrish. This lodge is well officered and the attendance this year is proving better than of other years. The books are well kept, especially the Historical Register.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

On Oct. 9th a Lodge of Instruction was held in the Oddfellows Hall, Medicine Hat, a which we were favored by having with us the M.W. the Grand Master; M.W. Bro. J. Botterill, Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. J. Kemmis, and M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary. The afternoon was taken up by having the Fellow Craft Degree conferred by Bro. A. J. Bell and the officers of Mizpah Lodge, and questions relating to the Degree, also to the Constitution. In the evening the meeting was addressed by the M.W. the Grand Master, and by the Grand Secretary on the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund. Owing to this being the second

Lodge of Instruction held during the year, and the shortness of time given for calling the meeting, the attendance was not as large as it should have been, many of the outside lodges not being represented.

In conclusion I wish to thank the brethren of this district for electing me as their D.D.G.M., and to express my appreciation of the courteous and fraternal manner in which they received me on each occasion of my official visits. I also wish to thank Bro. P. D. Stone, of Mizpah Lodge, for so willingly and effectively acting as my District Secretary. I expect shortly to hear that all the lodges in this district have paid their quota to the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund.

Gratefully submitted,

JESSE ELLIOTT,

D.D.G.M. District No. 2.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 6th, 1920.

To the M.W the Grand Master

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I herewith submit a report of my work as District Deputy Grand Master of the Third Masonic District.

Of conditions in general I am pleased to state that I found things very satisfactory. Some of the newer lodges are showing progressive and constructive work, while the class of initiates indicates proper care in the selection of the same. A few of the older lodges are suffering from lack of enthusiasm and, consequently, poor attendance.

At every meeting which I attended officially I placed the matter of the Benevolence Fund before the members and in each case received assurance that support would be given to this fund. I feel confident that Alberta will soon appear in a far better position in respect to this feature of our Fraternity, than at present.

Owing to the fact that I was to leave the jurisdiction on Nov. 1st I was compelled to make my official visits in a very limited time. I was able to visit all but one of the ten lodges in my district. A summary of those visits follows:

EDMONTON LODGE, NO. 7

Aside from the attendance, which was not very large, this meeting was very satisfactory. The work of the officers was very good and the records well kept.

STAR OF THE WEST LODGE, NO. 34

Extreme cold and bad roads kept many members living at a distance, from attending, but the meeting made up in spirit what was lacking in numbers. The officers are efficient and the records well kept, with the exception of the Historical Register. I was assured that this would be remedied.

BUFFALO PARK LODGE, NO. 44

This lodge seems to be suffering from a lack of interest among its members. Several meetings had to be called off because of insufficient members present. The meeting at which I was present was quite satisfactory in every other way.

PALESTINE LODGE, NO. 46

I made arrangements to visit here on Oct. 29th. A large number of Edmonton brethren were to be present. Owing to a heavy fall of snow the roads were impassable and I was unable to go.

UNITY LODGE, NO. 51

The enthusiasm and attendance of this lodge which I visited on Oct. 21st is well sustained. The officers are efficient and the records very well kept. I found here one of the best set of books it has been my privilege to see and I can recommend their examination by other secretaries.

CONNAUGHT LODGE, NO. 69

I visited this lodge on Oct. 7th and found that poor attendance seems to be the problem of this lodge. The work of the officers would be greatly improved if the members would give their support by attending regularly.

COMMERCIAL LODGE, NO. 81

Of my visit to this lodge on Oct. 11th, my own lodge, I can say that the meeting was up to the usual high standard. The Historical Register is well worth examination by any brother. It is the most complete of any I have seen.

DYNAMIC LODGE, NO. 96

This was my first official visit to any lodge—Oct. 1st, and I was well pleased with the attendance, the work and the spirit of the members. A continuance of the enthusiasm, as shown that evening, assures success to Dynamic Lodge.

ALBION LODGE, NO. 97

The principal obstacle to progress in this lodge, which I visited on Oct. 2nd, is the preponderance of French-Canadians in the district. Even with this handicap this lodge is going ahead. I advised a little more practice of the degree work and was assured the suggestion would be adopted.

EDGERTON LODGE, NO. 102

An especially good meeting was held here on Oct. 6th. There was a good attendance of local members and several visitors from Albion, Buffalo Park and Commercial Lodges. The work was well done, the records well kept and the spirit of brotherhood well exemplified.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION

I arranged for a Lodge of Instruction as requested, at Chauvin, Nov. 3rd, for part of the lodges in my district. Together with the D.D.

G.M.s of Districts 10 and 12. Lodges of Instruction were arranged in Edmonton, on Nov. 5th and 6th. As I was unable to be present at any of these meetings I cannot report on them.

In closing I wish to say that I deeply appreciate the honor of serving as District Deputy and only regret being unable to continue the work to the end of the term. I feel sure that if I could make a second visit I could report substantial progress through the entire district.

Fraternally submitted,

HARRY A. STILES,

D.D.G.M. District No. 3.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

Calgary, May 27th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

Owing to R.W. Bro. H. A. Stiles, who was selected and appointed D.D.G.M. for Masonic District, No. 3, having to leave the jurisdiction permanently, I was, on the 23rd of Dec., 1919, informed by M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary, that I had been appointed to take over the duties of D.D.G.M. for that district for the balance of the term, for which honor, Sir, I must sincerely thank you.

I immediately got into communication with the Secretaries of the different lodges in the district, informing them of my appointment, and placing my services at their disposal if required. Since then I have been constantly informed of the progress of the lodges, by letters, notices, etc., but owing to the great distances to be travelled I thought it unnecessary to visit them, unless some special occasion should arise.

I would have been glad to have been privileged to visit all the lodges in the district and would have endeavored to do so only for the fact that R.W. Bro. Stiles had already covered the district so completely as you will see by his report.

District No. 3 is one of the most important districts under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, including, as it does, three of the best lodges in Edmonton, No. 7, the senior lodge in that city; No. 51, one of the largest and most successful lodges in the jurisdiction; and No. 81, unique in many ways, and a lodge composed of right good men and Masons. I have visited all three many times in the past and hope to do so again.

No. 34, at Leduc, is situated in one of the most thriving districts in Alberta.

The other lodges are on the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, right down to the boundary of the province, and have a good outlook for the future.

I would like to say to the lodges in the country towns, to, if possible, own your own lodge rooms. Make them centres of social endeavor

and intercourse to yourselves, your families, and the best elements in your districts. By so doing, you will prosper.

I can hardly presume to advise the city lodges, only to be careful that among the multitude of applicants none get through the portals of whom you may be ashamed.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN GILLESPIE,

D.D.G.M. District No. 3.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Lacombe, May 29th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

As District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourth Masonic District I have the honor of submitting for your consideration the following report:

There are twelve lodges in this district. The total Masonic membership of this district is 812.

Visitations:—

Innisfail, No. 8, Innisfail, Nov. 20th, 1919.
Eureka, No. 10, Lacombe, Oct. 23rd, 1919.
Red Deer, No. 12, Red Deer, Sept. 23rd, 1919.
Wetaskiwin, No. 15, Wetaskiwin, Jan. 15th, 1920.
Mountain View, No. 16, Olds, Nov. 7th, 1919.
Britannia, No. 18, Ponoka, Nov. 6th, 1919.
Carstairs, No. 20, Carstairs, Dec. 4th, 1919.
King Hiram, No. 21, Didsbury, Oct. 24th, 1919, and March 2nd, 1920.
Kenilworth, No. 29, Red Deer, June 24th, 1919.
Bowden, No. 42, Bowden, Sept. 3rd, 1919, and Feb. 10th, 1920.
Crossfield, No. 48, Crossfield, Nov. 4th, 1919.
Kitchener, No. 95, Rimbey, July 13th, 1919, and Oct. 3rd, 1919.

In addition to the above mentioned visits I had the pleasure of accompanying the M.W. the Grand Master to Innisfail, No. 8, Eureka, No. 10; Britannia, No. 18; King Hiram, No. 21; Kenilworth, No. 29; and Bowden, No. 42. At Britannia Lodge, No. 18, the M.W. the Grand Master on behalf of the brethren of the Fourth Masonic District, presented R.W. Bro. J. A. Kerr, with a P.D.D.G. Master's Jewel.

Lodges of Instruction were held at Lacombe on Oct. 23rd, and at Didsbury on Oct. 24th, 1919. Both meetings, considering the state of the weather, and the condition of the roads, were well attended, and the addresses given by M.W. Bro. Botterill and M.W. Bro. Taylor were full of inspiration and instruction. I am sure that these meetings were of much Masonic benefit, and I am pleased to report that arrangements were made at the Lacombe meeting to hold a Lodge of Instruction for this district for 1920-1921 at Wetaskiwin. I would suggest that instead of taking up a large portion of the time in exemplification work that

brethren prepare questions and present difficulties and forward them to the Custodians of the Rites and that they attend those meetings and discuss the problems presented. That two or more well informed brethren be requested to prepare addresses for each session.

BENEVOLENT FUND

The amount of \$4,740 to be contributed by this district, was based on a membership of 790. I am pleased to report that up to April 1st, 1920, the sum of \$4,321.70 has been forwarded to the M.W. the Grand Secretary, leaving a balance of \$458.00 as yet unpaid—some of the lodges have subscribed more than their allotments. Of the twelve lodges, seven have paid in full, and the amount unpaid is distributed among five lodges.

I had hoped at the beginning of my term of office that the total amount would be raised, and while I appreciated deeply the efforts made, yet with a deeper sense of the need and a little more enthusiasm, I am sure of the opinion that the balance could have been readily secured.

I found in every case the lodges were in the hands of capable and efficient officers and the degrees of Masonry were being conferred in an impressive manner calculated to leave a lasting impression on the minds of the candidates. In all the lodges the business was well conducted and the books are well kept with the exception that the Historical Register has been neglected in some instances.

I wish to thank the brethren of this district for the honor conferred on me and to express my gratitude to the M.W. the Grand Master and the M.W. the Grand Secretary for their counsel and assistance in my work.

In conclusion I would acknowledge the kindness and courtesy accorded me on my official visits. It has been a source not only of pleasure, but of profit to me to have acted in the capacity of District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourth District.

Fraternally submitted,

W. F. CRANNA,

D.D.G.M. District No. 4.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Strome, May 15th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I beg herewith to submit my official report on the condition of Masonry in the Fifth Masonic District:

CAMROSE LODGE, NO. 37

I paid my official visit to this lodge on April 8th. There was a fair attendance. This lodge is fortunate in having amongst its members R.W. Bro. J. W. Younge, R.W. Bro. J. Douglas, and a large number of other Past Masters, who always take a great interest in the work of

the lodge. The First Degree was exemplified. The floor work was good. I was especially impressed by the able manner in which the several lectures were delivered by the different officers. The W.M., was unable to be present on account of sickness. The chair was filled by I.P.M.W. Bro. Layton, in a very efficient manner.

TUSCAN LODGE, NO. 43

I visited this lodge officially on March 3rd. The E.A. Degree was exemplified in a very pleasing manner. I found the officers of this lodge optimistic, and all working in harmony, there being great improvement generally from the report given of this lodge by my predecessor in office. During the last year they have had a substantial increase in membership, and the prospects for the ensuing year is, I can assure you, good. I brought to their attention that the Historical Register was not written up to date. They assured me that this matter would be attended to.

COMET LODGE, NO. 50

I made an official visit to this lodge on April 14th, and was well received by the brethren. There was a fair attendance. W. M. McDonald is working hard to bring this lodge up to standard. I had the pleasure of seeing the First Degree conferred. The work was not quite so impressively put on as I would like to see it done, and I felt it my duty to make a few corrections in the floor work. The books are in good shape and the prospects for the future seem to be fair.

PROVOST LODGE, NO. 61

On Nov. 26th I visited this lodge at an emergency meeting held for the purpose of conferring the Second and Third Degrees. I found the lodge in a healthy and prosperous condition. The work put on by this lodge was done in an impressive manner, but there was a lack of uniformity which I think is accounted for by Provost Lodge being situated in the extreme eastern end of the district, and a long distance from the neighboring lodges, which makes it hard for the officers to visit and become conversant with the way the other lodges put the work on. I found their books and finances in very good shape and all the brethren which I met that evening, were enthusiastic about the future of the lodge. The prospects are of the best.

COAL LODGE, NO. 62

I made an official visit to this lodge at a regular communication held on April 15th. It was recommended last year to have the charter of this lodge withdrawn, as they were in very bad shape to carry on the work of the order successfully. It has been hard for them to get enough of the members together to make a quorum. This evening the Second Degree was conferred on two candidates. Under the circumstances, the work was put on in a manner which showed that the several officers were doing their best. They having got up the ritualistic work in good shape, but having so few active members, and not having the opportunity of visiting the neighboring lodges, the work was not so uniform or impressively put on as, in my opinion, it should be. Since last June they have had seven meetings, and since January they seem to be in a more promising position to pull the lodge together. They told me

the prospects were good and that there were a number of candidates in waiting for the different degrees. I found the books in good order, but the lodge is not in very good standing, financially.

HARMONY LODGE, NO. 75

I paid a visit to Harmony Lodge on Feb. 2nd. There was a fair attendance. There is always a friendly rivalry between several of the different lodges about which one can put on the work the best. This evening the E.A. Degree was exemplified, and although the W.M. was unable to be present, the work was well put on by the officers in charge. It was very pleasing to me to see so many of the P.Ms. in attendance, and taking so deep an interest in the work. The books are in the safe keeping of W. Bro. McDonald, and are kept in good order.

FIDELITY LODGE, NO. 76

I visited this lodge on March 2nd. It was a very representative meeting, there being a good attendance. This lodge is very progressive and is going ahead by leaps and bounds. The membership during the year having materially increased, and the prospects bright for more good members joining the lodge in the future. This is the only lodge in the district which practices the Canadian Rite. I thoroughly enjoyed the way the work was done; all of the three degrees were conferred, and although being unfamiliar with this work I feel assured under the guiding influence of so many of its P.Ms. who take a deep interest in the affairs of the lodge, that the work will be kept up to the standard.

MORNING STAR LODGE, NO. 79

I made an official visit to this lodge at their regular communication on April 1st, and was well received by the brethren. The First Degree was conferred on two candidates in a very thorough and satisfactory manner. After the meeting there was a banquet held and the time very pleasantly spent. There were some very instructive and interesting addresses given by several of the brethren, as well as a number of songs rendered, which were much enjoyed by all. There was every evidence of a spirit of true brotherly love prevailing amongst the members, and everyone vying with each other on who best could work and best agree.

EXCELSIOR LODGE, NO. 80

This is my home lodge. On Dec. 27th, I performed the ceremony of installing the officers for the ensuing year. The officers of this lodge are very enthusiastic and proficient in their work. I also visited officially this lodge, at an emergency meeting on March 18th, when the First and Second Degrees were exemplified. The work was very satisfactory and the different lectures given to the candidates in an impressive manner. The lodge was unfortunate last summer when their hall furniture and regalia were totally destroyed by fire, and although covered by insurance, was a big loss. Since then they have been meeting in temporary quarters but hope in the near future to again have a lodge room of their own. The books were in excellent shape and their equipment fully covered by insurance.

GENERAL

I am pleased to say that on the whole the condition of Masonry in the Fifth Masonic District is highly satisfactory, and I believe there are more men joining our Masonic Brotherhood in District No. 5 than at any time during its history.

I have visited all the lodges officially during the year. I found on the whole the attendances good and the work well done.

The books in every case well kept with the exception of the Historical Register, which I found in nearly all cases, were not written up to date.

A School of Instruction was held at Camrose on Oct. 22nd. On account of the weather the attendance was disappointingly small. We had the good fortune of having with us the W.M. the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary, and a number of P.D.D.G.Ms. The Third Degree was exemplified by the officers of Excelsior Lodge. The addresses given by the M.W. the Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, were very much appreciated by the brethren and went a long way to make this School of Instruction what its name implies.

I wish to thank Camrose Lodge for the excellent manner in which they carried out all their arrangements.

I always kept before the lodges the necessity of supporting the Masonic Benevolent Fund as liberally as possible.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. ROSS,

D.D.G.M. District No. 5.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

High River, May 27th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I have the honor to submit to you my report on the condition of Masonry in the Sixth Masonic District:

A Lodge of Instruction and visit of the M.W. the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers, was held in Nanton Lodge Room on Monday, Oct. 6th, 1919. The M.W. the Grand Master Bro. Botterill; R.W. Bro. Selwood, Junior Grand Warden; M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary; R.W. Bro. R. Pearson, Grand Chaplain were present representing Grand Lodge, and a good representation from every lodge in the district were present.

Nanton Lodge officers opened the lodge and the D.D.G.M. took charge of the meetings. Lodge was opened at 1.30 p.m. and the reception of all the visiting lodges was responded to by representatives of the various lodges.

W. Bro. Haslam and the officers of Cairo Lodge, Claresholm, exemplified the Third Degree in an exceptionally creditable manner. The criticism was conducted by M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Custodian of the Work. The address by Grand Master Botterill was sincere and of the true Masonic ring which drew him close to the hearts of all present. His caution to "Guard well our Portals" was very timely and will be ever before the minds of all Masters. R.W. Bro. Selwood gave an interesting and instructive talk on lodge workings in general and his suggestions will help all the officers in the discharge of their duties. The lodge of Masters and Past Masters addressed by M.W. Bro. Taylor was the finest of its kind that one could wish to attend. The fund of useful information that was given in the most systematic manner gave the brethren of this Degree in District No. 6 a foundation that should make the Installation Ceremony an interesting function. Lodge was called off at six o'clock and labor was resumed at 7.30. Considerable amusement was indulged in by the brethren when the question of 1920 Lodge of Instruction was being considered. The final vote went to High River. The Third Degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Frantzen and officers of Nanton Lodge. The work was extremely fine and great praise was given the Nanton brethren for their efficiency.

M.W. Bro. Taylor in an able manner fully explained every detail in connection with the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund. R.W. Bro. R. Pearson then gave an interesting talk and strongly backed up the appeal for the Benevolent Fund. The gavel was then handed to W. Bro. Frantzen, who brought the meeting to a close. The members, about 137, then assembled in St. Andrew's Hall, where District No. 6 tendered a banquet to the Grand Lodge officers.

NANTON LODGE, NO. 17

I visited this lodge officially on Oct. 22nd. Here I found the busiest bunch of enthusiastic Masonic workers in District No. 6, led by W. Bro. Frantzen. The officers and brethren of this lodge have accomplished a lot of real work. Their average attendance is good and their enthusiasm and devotion to their lodge is grand. Their books are in good order and up to date, with the exception of the Historical Records. This they promised immediate attention. W. Bro. Frantzen and officers conferred the M.M. Degree in their usual proficient manner. The Senior and Junior Wardens gave the Masonic Benevolent Fund a boost at this meeting. Their lodge room is well furnished and well kept, and Masonry has its rightful standing in the hearts of the Nanton brethren. At the close of the meeting the members and visitors were all made the guests of W. Bro. Frantzen at a dinner in honor of his birthday. To this great surprise the lodge presented him with a handsome clock. On Jan. 16th, 1920, I had the pleasure of re-visiting Nanton Lodge and again witnessing the exemplification of the M.M. Degree.

CORNERSTONE LODGE, NO. 19

On the 4th of December, accompanied by Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, I made my official visit to Cornerstone Lodge, R.W. Bro. Kemmis gave a very able and interesting address in which he made a strong appeal on behalf of the Benevolent Fund, and I am glad to say Cornerstone Lodge responded nobly to this cause. This lodge has a standing with the "topnotchers" in every phase of Masonic life and

business is carried on with great accuracy. Their books are exceptionally well kept by Bro. P. G. Thomas, and their Historical Records are a credit. On Dec. 27th I had the pleasure of installing their officers for 1920.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, NO. 22

I made my visit to this lodge on their regular meeting night, on Oct. 3rd. W. Bro. Knowles, W.M., occupied the chair. I took great pleasure in watching the officers of Corinthian Lodge confer the Fellow Craft Degree on two candidates, and I can assure Grand Lodge that this lodge is being handled with the greatest efficiency. I examined the books kept by Secretary R.W. Bro. George Patterson, and found everything in order and up to date, with the exception of the Historical Records. W. Bro. Knowles assured me that a committee would be appointed at once and these records brought up to date. This lodge is in excellent condition both financially and fraternally. Their lodge rooms are exceptionally neat and well furnished, the average attendance is good and their enthusiasm is excellent. On Dec. 29th I had the pleasure of re-visiting Corinthian Lodge and installing their officers for 1920.

CAIRO LODGE, NO. 32

I made my official visit to this lodge on Oct. 21st, W. Bro. Haslam, P.M., occupied the chair; their Master, W. Bro. Walker, being unavoidably absent. This lodge is in a fairly progressive state. Their average attendance is good and the lodge in general is in good condition. Their books were in good order and up to date, with the exception of the Historical Record. This they promised immediate attention. W. Bro. Haslam and the officers of this lodge conferred the E.A. Degree in a very able manner. Their lodge rooms are nicely furnished and well kept, and the spirit of friendship and brotherly love was very evident throughout their whole proceedings.

STAVELY LODGE, NO. 33

On Nov. 4th, 1919, I came from Granum to Stavelly by afternoon train. The weather was very cold and wintry and the trails all blocked with snow. I made my official visit to this lodge at night. The attendance was good considering the extreme weather and the condition of the roads. I found Masonry in good condition with the Stavelly Lodge and our cause in that town is progressing very favorably, and both officers and brethren are enthusiastic for the success of Stavelly Lodge, and great credit is due them for owning their premises. Bro. Melchow, Junior Warden, with the assistance of the W. Master, W. Bro. Cressman, conferred the E.A. Degree in a very able and creditable manner. The Benevolent Fund received special attention by the officers, and W. Bro. Ditto and their efforts were amply repaid in the liberal response by the brethren. A pleasant and profitable refreshment hour was spent after the close of the lodge, and Stavelly Lodge is to be commended for the manner in which they conduct the hour for refreshment, making it as they do an hour for real education along Masonic lines. Stavelly Lodge is fast coming to the front and will soon be one of the banner lodges of the province. On Dec. 30th I again had the pleasure of visiting this lodge and installing their officers for 1920.

JOPPA LODGE, NO. 40

On Nov. 4th, 1919, I went on the morning train to Granum and was met at the station by W. Bro. Geo. Goesen, W.M. of Joppa Lodge, and officers. Together we visited and I inspected their new lodge quarters. I found them all that could be desired for lodge purposes and when completed, will be exceptionally fine quarters. I had just one hour between trains so we spent this together talking over lodge matters. I consider the officers and brethren of Joppa Lodge are to be congratulated for the way they have raised from their recent fire disaster and are now the proud owners of a fine lodge building well located. They resumed work after their disaster in the December meeting, and I had hoped to re-visit them before the end of my term, but this pleasure was denied me on account of illness.

District No. 6 consists of six lodges, all situated in well established towns in the agricultural portion of Southern Alberta, forming a district that any D.D.G.M. might be proud to preside over, and I beg to take this opportunity to convey to the brethren of these lodges my sincere thanks for the confidence reposed in me when they elected me to this honorable office. I also wish to thank them for their generous response to our appeal for the Benevolent Fund.

The work in this district is so uniformly well sustained that it would be difficult to make any special recommendations to Grand Lodge as to any of the lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

V. C. W. STANLEY,

D.D.G.M. District No. 6.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Brooks, Alberta, May, 1st, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District for the year 1919:

This district includes lodges located in Langdon, Strathmore, Gleichen, Bassano and Brooks. Four out of the lodges have shown very satisfactory progress, and Masonry has steadily gained in every lodge except Langdon. I visited that town once and have endeavored to get in touch with some one who might show interest in Masonry there, but to no avail. I would recommend that steps be taken to withdraw the charter from Langdon Lodge.

STRATHMORE LODGE, NO. 53

Strathmore Lodge was visited by myself in November and the impression gained was that this lodge is progressing towards a happy future. W. Bro. S. O. Lones, the Worshipful Master, displayed high efficiency

in his work and was ably assisted by a splendid staff of officers. The lodge has the advantage of the constant attendance of a number of Past Masters, particularly R.W. Bro. Thos. Crawford, whose services are always available for the advancement of Masonry. The lodge is the strongest, numerically, of any in the district.

GLEICHEN LODGE, NO. 36

W. Bro. T. H. Beach, the Worshipful Master of Gleichen Lodge, has been successful in putting a lot of energy into Gleichen Lodge and largely through his efforts many happy evenings were spent by members of the fraternity in the Gleichen Masonic Hall. Lectures and educational features were introduced and the social side of Masonry appeared to good advantage in this lodge. The evening I paid my official visit witnessed a large turnout, several of the brethren travelling long distances in inclement weather.

BASSANO LODGE, NO. 55

Bassano Lodge distinguished itself at the Lodge of Instruction held there in October, 1919, when the M.W. the Grand Master and the M.W. the Grand Secretary, were present. The Third Degree was exemplified in a most praiseworthy manner, and the perfection attained elicited most complimentary remarks from the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. This lodge was visited three times during my regime—once when W. Bro. A. McKee was Worshipful Master, and twice when W. Bro. E. L. Muir had succeeded him. In April some dissention arose amongst the brethren which necessitated a visit from the M.W. the Grand Master, the M.W. the Grand Secretary and R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood. Thanks to good and timely advice of these brethren, the trouble was satisfactorily adjusted and the lodge is now in harmony.

BROOKS LODGE, NO. 73

On two occasions I paid official visits to Brooks Lodge, the youngest lodge in my district, but equally progressive with any of the rest. This lodge is the owner of a fine Masonic Temple and maintains a club-room for the benefit of the members, it being available every evening for social features. W. Bro. F. W. Gibson, the Worshipful Master, displayed ability in his work and has an enthusiastic staff of officers.

I am informed that every lodge (with the exception of Langdon) in District No. 7 attained its quota for the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund.

I would recommend that Lodges of Instruction be held more frequently than once a year, as divergencies from the work tend to occur and form into actual practice unless checked in time.

The regulation necessitating masters of lodges passing an examination board on degree work before being installed has worked out very satisfactorily.

I have endeavored to perform the duties of District Deputy Grand Master to the best of my ability, and sincerely thank the officers and

brethren of the various lodges in my jurisdiction for their courteous treatment and willingness to co-operate.

Fraternally submitted,

LEONARD D. NESBITT,

D.D.G.M. District No. 7.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Hillcrest, Alta, May 15th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I have the honor to submit the following report on the condition of Masonry in the Eighth Masonic District, for the year 1919-1920. Unfortunately though, through ill health, I have been unable to visit all the lodges officially, but have attended communications of all but one of the lodges of the district during the year.

The condition of Masonry in the district, as a whole, is excellent. The officers all know their work and the best of feeling prevails among the members.

On Oct. 8th a Lodge of Instruction was held at Coleman, at which were present M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill and S. Y. Taylor; R.W. Bros. Whiteside, Kemmis, Cameron and Ouimette; also about sixty or seventy members. Very impressive and instructive addresses were given by M.W. Bros. Botterill and Taylor, and R.W. Bro. Kemmis. The Third Degree was conferred on Bro. Pinkney by the officers of Sentinel Lodge, No. 26, and Summit Lodge, No. 30, in a very efficient manner. It was decided to hold the next annual Lodge of Instruction at Pincher Creek.

On Dec. 27th, assisted by R.W. Bros. Cameron, Gunn and Pattinson, I had the honor to install the officers of Sentinel Lodge, No. 26; Summit Lodge, No. 30; and Rocky Mountain Lodge, No. 86, at the hall of Sentinel Lodge, Hillcrest. Some sixty members were present and perfect harmony prevailed. After the installation ceremony was concluded the brethren adjourned to the banquet room where refreshments and speeches by R.W. Bros. Cameron, Gunn and several brethren concluded a very profitable evening.

ALBERTA LODGE, NO. 3

Unfortunately I have been unable to visit this lodge, but my report from the secretary shows that they are in good condition, financially, with bright prospects for the future.

SPITZIE LODGE, NO. 6

I visited this lodge on the evening of Sept. 9th, and witnessed the Fellow Craft Degree conferred on two candidates by the W.M. and his officers, in a very impressive manner. The members of this lodge display

the fraternal spirit and understand how to make visitors feel at home. The books are in perfect order and the lodge is in splendid condition financially.

SENTINEL LODGE, NO. 26

This is my home lodge and I have been present at all but three meetings during the year. This lodge has a splendid set of officers who perform their duties in a very able manner. The secretary is very efficient and the books and records are well kept. The lodge is in good financial condition with bright prospects for the future.

SUMMIT LODGE, NO. 30

I visited this lodge on the evening of Sept. 4th, it being the occasion of a fraternal visit by the members of Spitzie Lodge, No. 6, and Sentinel Lodge, No. 26. The M.M. Degree was conferred on one candidate by W. Bro. Ross, and officers of Spitzie Lodge, in their usual impressive manner. A very pleasant evening was spent, some splendid addresses were given and the brethren left for home at a late hour feeling that it had been good to be there. Summit Lodge is in a good healthy condition. The books and records are well kept and prospects good. Harmony prevails among the brethren and as long as R.W. Bros. Cameron and Ouimette, and W. Bro. Morrison remain in Coleman, Summit Lodge will be one of the best in the district.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN LODGE, NO. 86

I visited this lodge on the occasion of their annual election of officers on Dec. 8th, and was very pleased indeed to see that they elected a very efficient set of officers for the year. This is the youngest lodge in the district and has had a hard struggle for existence, but I am pleased to report that they are in good condition financially, and the future looks bright. The books and records are in splendid shape and the officers know their work.

In conclusion I wish to express to the brethren of the district my appreciation of the high honor they conferred on me in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M., and to thank the brethren throughout the district for the many expressions of kindness and courtesy extended to me on the occasion of my visits among them, and to express the hope that Masonry will continue to wield the influence for good in the district in the future as it has done in the past.

Fraternally submitted,

G. E. CRUICKSHANK,

D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Alix, May 29th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my official report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 9:

APOLLO LODGE, NO. 27

On Aug. 4th, 1919, I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge, accompanied by several officers and members of Ionic Lodge, No. 45. Unfortunately the weather turned out very bad during the evening and the attendance was not as good as generally. At this visit no work was put on, but I found the lodge very enthusiastic, the books well kept, the finances good, and harmony prevailing. On Nov. 7th I again visited this lodge, having the honor to accompany the M.W. the Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Taylor, the Grand Secretary. On this occasion a Lodge of Instruction was held and the Third Degree exemplified by the brethren of Apollo Lodge in a very creditable manner. A good attendance of members both from Apollo and other lodges, were present and a very good evening was spent. After lodge closed we were entertained at a splendid banquet and dance by the brethren of Stettler.

IONIC LODGE, NO. 45

This is my own Lodge and I have been present at their meetings regularly. The lodge is in good financial standing, the members are very enthusiastic and the attendance good. There was a Lodge of Instruction held here on Oct. 21st, but the weather was very bad indeed, and outside the members of Ionic Lodge no other lodge was represented. At this Lodge of Instruction both the M.W. the Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Taylor, the Grand Secretary, were present and very interesting addresses and lectures were given.

CYPRUS LODGE, U.D.

On Dec. 17th I had the pleasure of Instituting this lodge at Three Hills. On this occasion I was assisted by W. Bro. Finch, of Ionic Lodge, No. 45, and the W.M., officers and brethren of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 66, Trochu, to whom I tender my hearty thanks. I predict a bright future for Cyprus Lodge. The brethren are enthusiastic and are away to a good start. The district is well settled and good material for Masons should be plentiful. After the Institution we were entertained by the brethren of Three Hills.

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE, U.D.

On Dec. 3rd I visited this lodge and on that occasion the Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred by the W.M. Bro. Raymer in a very creditable manner. The Fellow Craft Degree was also conferred by the W.M. Bro. Raymer and left nothing to be desired. This lodge has made great progress and I have no hesitation in recommending that their Charter be granted. The books are well kept, finances good, a comfortable lodge room, and good members. The attendance averages very well.

ST. ANDREW'S LODGE, NO. 66

On Jan. 22nd I had the pleasure of visiting St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 66, Trochu. On this visit the F.C. Degree was conferred on two candidates in a very creditable manner. The brethren at Trochu are enthusiastic, have a nice lodge room, are well insured, and the finances are in good shape. There was a good attendance in spite of the bitter cold weather.

CORONATION LODGE, NO. 72

On Jan. 29th, 1920, I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge. The weather was very cold and the attendance of members was not nearly

so good as the average. Unfortunately there was not any work on that evening so I cannot comment on that. The W.M. was good enough to call an emergency meeting on Feb. 5th at which he promised me there would be work in the Second and Third Degrees. Influenza broke out during this week and as there were several cases around Alix I did not deem it advisable to attend. The lodge finances are in good shape, they are well insured and have a comfortable lodge room.

BEAVER LODGE, NO. 56

On April 7th I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge when the Fellow Craft Degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner. The attendance of members was fair, the finances are in good shape and the lodge is well insured.

In conclusion I would thank the members of District No. 9 for the honor conferred on me in electing me to the position of D.D.G.M. and I can assure them that I have done my best to attend to my duties as well as possible. With best regards to the Grand Lodge and to the brethren of District No. 6.

Fraternally yours,

G. H. DARLOW,

D.D.G.M. District No. 9.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Edmonton, May 1st, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I have the honor to submit for your approval the following report of the condition of Masonry in District No. 10, for the present year:

ACACIA LODGE, NO. 11

I paid an official visit to this lodge on several occasions. In November while W. Bro. Munro was the Worshipful Master, I was present at the joint installation of officers of Acacia and Strathcona Lodges and installed both sets of officers. There was an excellent attendance of the brethren on the occasion and at the close of the ceremony I had the great pleasure of presenting the retiring Masters with Past Master's Jewels. On Thursday, March 25th, accompanied by R.W. Bro. T. H. Wilson and V.W. Bro. H. H. Rendall, G.P., I visited at the invitation of Bro. White and saw the work in the Second Degree of the York Rite exemplified by the I.P.M., W. Bro. Mitchell and officers of Strathcona Lodge, No. 77, the W.M. having been called away from the city on other business. There was a great turnout of the brethren of both lodges and the work done was of the very best. The musical portion of the ceremony was of a delightful character, and reflects the highest credit on the organist of Strathcona Lodge. The interchanging of the work between these two

sister lodges is of a very commendable nature and long may it exist. Acacia has a very energetic Master in W. Bro. White, who is leaving no stone unturned in making his year of office a great success.

The finances of the lodge are in excellent condition and the books are well kept.

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VICTORIA LODGE, NO. 13

My visit to this lodge was paid on Tuesday, April 27th. I found everything in good order and was again fortunate in seeing the lodge at work, by the exemplification of the Third Degree. The attendance was very good, although the W.M. and the I.P.M. of the lodge were both out of town, yet the work of the general business of the lodge as also that of the degree, was ably carried out by the Acting Master. The Secretary, Bro. Dodge, is to be congratulated on the way in which he is attending to the financial interests of the lodge and in the excellent manner in which his books are kept.

VERMILION LODGE, NO. 24

I visited this lodge on May 4th and was most cordially received by R.W. Bro. W. J. Seed, whom I met the previous day on my way to Vegreville. There was a splendid turnout of the brethren at the evening meeting and it was with great pleasure that I witnessed the work in the Second Degree exemplified. The lodge is to be congratulated on the excellent material which they are bringing into Masonry and the way in which the candidate on this occasion showed his skill, was no exception to the rule. It was with regret that I found the Secretary of this lodge, a returned veteran, was, through his medical adviser unable to continue further his duties in connection with the lodge, his health being in such a precarious condition that will not warrant the strain being placed upon it. I trust that under more favorable climatic conditions that he will recover and long live to be an ornament to Masonry, which he has so much adorned while acting as Secretary of this well established lodge.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 25

On Monday, May 3rd, I paid my official visit to this lodge and received a very hearty welcome from R.W. Bro. J. S. Reid, officers and brethren. There was a very good attendance of the brethren and undoubtedly it would have been much larger had they known of my coming, but my great desire in paying my visits was to see the lodges under normal conditions and I am well pleased with everything that I saw. The work in the Second Degree York Rite was exemplified and reflects the highest credit on the two candidates and the officers engaged in the work. Everything in connection with St. John's Lodge is in the pink of condition and they are happy in having a Secretary so able and so well qualified as R.W. Bro. J. S. Reid. The Benevolent Funds for Grand Lodge should receive a substantial cheque from this lodge in due course.

HOPE LODGE, NO. 38

I paid a visit to this lodge on Monday, April 26th, and was well received by the brethren. My visit was totally unexpected, but I found everything in good order and had the pleasure of seeing the work in the Third Degree exemplified by W. Bro. Crooks and his officers. The lodge

is very fortunate in having as one of its members R.W. Bro. Percy Fielding, who takes a great interest in all things appertaining to the welfare of the lodge and the brethren in general. When R.W. Bro. Fielding heard of my presence he came in from his farm, which is 13 miles distant, to attend the meeting and it is with pleasure that one recognizes the unselfish devotion to Masonry of many of the brethren who are similarly situated as is Bro. Fielding.

At the close of the evening I had very great pleasure in presenting to the I.P.M., W. Bro. Hunt, a Past Master's jewel as a token of the appreciation of the members of Hope Lodge for his excellent services during his term of office as W. Master.

EMPIRE LODGE, NO. 63

This is the lodge which I am connected with, being one of its chartered members, a Past Master, and at present its Secretary. I paid my official visit on Monday, May 17th. There was a good attendance both of members and visitors. On Jan. 5th I had the pleasure of installing the officers for the present year and in my work was very ably assisted by R.W. Bro. T. H. Wilson, P.D.D.G.M., of this district and V.W. Bro. H. H. Rendall, Grand Pursuivant. The lodge is to be congratulated on having an efficient W.M. in W. Bro. English and also on the large number of Past Masters who take a very great interest in all that appertains to its welfare.

The lodge has grown remarkably during the present year and the material received has been of the very best. Its finances are in a sound and healthy condition and is to be congratulated on the fact that it was the first lodge in this district to pay its full assessment to the Grand Lodge Benevolent Funds and trusts to do much more for them in the future.

TAWATINAW LODGE, NO. 71

I paid my official visit to this lodge in October and received a very hearty welcome from R.W. Bro. Dallas, W. Bro. W. F. Falconer and officers and brethren of this lodge. The attendance was very good considering the distance that many of the brethren have to live from the town of Athabasca. There was no candidate on this occasion. The regular business meeting was well conducted by the acting W. Master W. Bro. Falconer. At its close I had the pleasure in presenting to W. Bro. Dallas a Grand Lodge suit of regalia which was given to him as a token of the deep respect of his brethren and in appreciation of the able manner in which he had carried out his duties in connection with his Grand Lodge office.

NORWOOD LODGE, NO. 90

I paid frequent visits to this lodge of which I am an honorary member. My first official visit was paid in July while W. Bro. Jno. Ganner was its Master. My second official visit to this lodge was paid on Tuesday, March 23rd, accompanied by R.W. Bro. T. H. Wilson, W. Bro. Ganner having gone to England and there being no likelihood of his return, the lodge obtained a special dispensation from the Grand Master to install W. Bro. Robert Moss, a Past Master, as his successor for the remaining portion of the year. This was the occasion of my second visit, and I had very great pleasure in installing W. Bro. Moss to again serve Norwood Lodge as its W. Master for the second time.

This is a very active lodge and has had a very successful year notwithstanding any drawbacks it may have had. Its growth in membership has been very steady and the material very excellent. The Secretary Bro. Wilfred Horrocks, is to be congratulated on the way in which his books are kept and likewise the lodge on the very excellent staff of officers it possesses.

LAMONT LODGE, NO. 94

I was unable to pay a visit to Lamont Lodge as time did not permit.

KILWINNING LODGE, U.D.

At the request of the M.W. the Grand Master M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, I paid a visit to Minburn on July 14th, 1919, and instituted this lodge. It was a very fine day and the brethren of Vermilion, Vegreville and Manville lodges came in a goodly number to attend the ceremony. The attendance was everything to be desired and the ceremony of Institution was carried out to a successful issue, in which I wish to acknowledge the help and assistance of my predecessor, R.W. Bro. Reid, as well as other Grand Lodge officers.

I made my second visit to this lodge on Monday, May 10th, of this year and had the pleasure of witnessing the work exemplified on the M.M. Degree. The whole of the work, including the opening and closing in the three degrees, was exceedingly well performed and reflects great credit on the W. Master Bro. McGregor, and his officers.

The lodge has had a very nice growth of membership as may be seen by its returns. Its furniture and regalia has been paid for and all expenses have been met, leaving a very nice balance to the credit of the lodge at the Bank. The prospects of the lodge are as good in the future as in the past and under the same able and conservative control which characterized its workings during the year just ended, I see a very bright era of success before it. I have, therefore, very great pleasure in recommending that a charter be granted at the forthcoming communication of Grand Lodge which will be held shortly.

In conclusion I would thank the brethren of the Tenth Masonic District for the honor conferred on me and for their kindness and courtesy extended me on each and every occasion.

Fraternally submitted,

C. J. LAKEY,

D.D.G.M. District No. 10.

ELEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Cardston, Alta., May 13th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I herewith most respectfully submit for your approval the following report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 11. This District is

composed of eleven lodges, each of which, except Pyramid Lodge, No. 108, I have had the pleasure of visiting.

In this district the increase in membership for the year has been 67, and there are approximately seven hundred Masons enrolled in the eleven lodges. During my term of office Nobleford Lodge was instituted on August 6th, 1919, and Pyramid Lodge, at Lomond, was constituted by the M.W. the Grand Master, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, and Past D.D.G.M.'s Quayle and Galbraith, on July 28th, 1919.

A Lodge of Instruction was held in Lethbridge on October 7th, 1919, at which were present the M.W. the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Grand Secretary and Chaplain. This Lodge of Instruction was in charge of a joint committee of North Star Lodge, No. 4, Lethbridge; Lethbridge Lodge, No. 39, and Charity Lodge, No. 65, and was most successful, about 140 Masons from different lodges attending. The attendance of so many Grand Officers, who were able to offer so much good advice and instruction, at first hand and direct to their listeners, was much appreciated. The Committee in charge had prepared a good programme and carried out all the details of this Lodge of Instruction in a most able manner.

NORTH STAR LODGE, NO. 4

I visited North Star Lodge officially on December 8th and was present at the election of officers. A good meeting was held, 58 members being present, and several visitors. The lodge is in a flourishing condition, and though the assessment to the Benevolent Fund was nearly \$1,300.00 this had been paid in full to Grand Lodge. This lodge is always to the front in assisting young lodges in their work, and its members are most accommodating and enthusiastic when called upon for assistance at any point outside Lethbridge that can be conveniently reached and weather permitting. This lodge may be considered as the leading exponent of the York Work, and when this work is put on this lodge most eminently strives to advance Masonry in the best manner whenever it has the opportunity. The membership is the largest in this district, and being the oldest may be considered the mother of many of the younger lodges.

LETHBRIDGE LODGE, NO. 39

This lodge has had an active year, adding 17 members and conferring 61 degrees, with 29 meetings held. I was present on Thursday, September 11th, at an Emergent Meeting when four candidates were raised, all Past Masters officiating; the work put on was excellent. I also made an official visit to this lodge on March 18th, 1920, on the regular meeting night, and the First Degree was conferred on three candidates. Judging by the applications for Initiation and Affiliation coming in this lodge appears to be in line for a busy year. This was the first meeting held by this lodge in the S.O.E. Building, recently purchased by the Masons of Lethbridge and renamed the Masonic Hall. The fraternity is to be congratulated on the acquisition of this valuable building which is suitable in every way for Masonic purposes.

ROBERT BURNS LODGE, NO. 49

This lodge retains its membership well and shows an increase over last year, the number of meetings held being 15. The hall is occupied exclusively by the lodge and the financial standing of the lodge is solid. I

visited the lodge on April 29th, 1920, and met a very active and enthusiastic band of brothers. The lodge is handsome and well kept, the books in very good order and the lodge all through seems to be in a very healthy condition.

CHIEF MOUNTAIN LODGE, NO. 58

This lodge had a quiet time after the June Installation of officers owing to the absence of several members. In the winter the lodge took on new life and meetings were more regular. One new member was brought in and with the advent of the New Year other applications began to arrive, so increased activity may be expected from now on. The lodge is financially sound and has not decreased in membership but is gaining slowly. Owing to the peculiar position of the lodge, a considerable part of the population do not apply for membership, so the lodge is limited as to new material, and if members move away it takes time to fill their places.

DIAMOND CITY LODGE, NO. 65

I was due to visit this lodge November 14th, coming from Champion, but a heavy snowstorm and cold weather prevented my visit, the place of meeting being some ten miles off the railroad. On April 30th I visited the lodge and much enjoyed the evening. The lodge is active and the average attendance at meetings remarkably good, especially as the members are much scattered and often have considerable difficulty in getting to the hall. The lodge is not large but the spirit of Masonry is strong within it.

CHARITY LODGE, NO. 67

I much enjoyed my visit to Charity Lodge on December 9th. This lodge is in good financial standing and lives up to its name, for besides contributing its full quota to the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund it has also a goodly sum put away in Victory Bonds and appears to do a good deal of charitable work on its own account. The election of officers took place the night I visited the lodge and there was a good deal of business transacted. I had my doubts at first as to whether the night of election of officers was a good time to visit, but changed by opinion and now think that it gives the D.D.G.M. a good chance to become well acquainted with the workings of the lodge and the spirit that pertains to it. This lodge I found active, sincere, prudent and practical. The books are in good order, finances sound, and the spirit of Masonry is well carried out.

CHAMPION LODGE, NO. 84

I was at Champion Lodge November 13th. The spirit of the lodge is good, the work neat and chairs filled with efficient officers who are also sincere and painstaking. A good evening was spent in useful discussion on many points in Masonry, and in which much interest was shown. I was also much gratified in being supported by two Past District Grand Masters in R.W. Bro. D. H. Galbraith and R.W. Bro. Stephenson. The Historical Register should be worked up and also the Black Book.

VULCAN LODGE, NO. 74

I visited Vulcan Lodge on April 27th and found the lodge located in a fine hall. There is a membership of 62, and 13 meetings were held in

the year, five new members joining. The officers of the lodge are active and sincere Masons. The First Degree was nicely put on but a little more practice would add greatly to the effect. A most enjoyable evening was spent and the prospects of the lodge are good, as it is situated in a lively town in a good district peopled with promising material.

WARNER LODGE, NO. 100

Warner Lodge held 21 meetings in the year which speaks well for a new lodge. Special invitations were sent out for a meeting on July 16th. The weather was very hot but we were glad to note that M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. J. Kemmis, Deputy Grand Master, both arrived and took part in the proceedings. A large contingent came from Lethbridge and the third degree was splendidly put on by North Star Lodge, No. 4, in the York Rite. A supper was given the members and visitors by the ladies, then followed a lecture on the war by Bro. Denoon, and a sumptuous banquet was held later which was graced with the presence of a number of ladies. It was a very busy time, well carried out, being a regular round-up of Masons, over 90 being present, in fact a Red-letter day among Masons in the South. I again visited Warner Lodge on December 30th for Installation of Officers. A most interesting evening was spent, for at the instigation of W. Bro. Veale, we drifted into a discussion as to the future of Masonry and as to how we might add interest to our lodge meetings. The books of the lodge are well kept, finances in good standing, and future prospects most encouraging.

PYRAMID LODGE, NO. 108

I made arrangements to visit this lodge April 26th, going by car from Lethbridge, but the amount of moisture on the ground, and still descending made the roads impassable, so I went direct to Vulcan by train the next day. To reach Lomond from Cardston by train takes about five days, i.e., to reach there for a meeting on a Monday the regular meeting night. The roads have not been passable up to May 15th, the date of sending in this report.

NOBLEFORD LODGE, U.D.

This lodge was instituted August 6th, 1919, by me under a Dispensation granted by you, the officers of the lodge being W.M. Bro. James Harris; S.W. Bro. C. Depew; J. W. Bro. J. Murray; Secretary Bro. F. C. Wakley; S.D., Bro. W. Buchanan; P.M., and J. D., Bro. A. Ronnie. This meeting was well attended by Masons in the district and a most enthusiastic gathering of 85 or more was a surprise. I again visited this lodge on April 28th, 1920, when the first degree was put on in the York Rite. The work put on entirely by members of the lodge, was excellent. The hall where meetings are held is first class, the furniture good, and the spirit of the lodge first rate. There are now 18 members and prospects seem good.

Speaking generally of the District as a whole I may say that the year has been an active one in Masonry and promises to be more so in the coming year. An effort is being made to go more deeply into Masonry and when this feature is placed before our lodges we find that it is a popular view, and the members evince considerable interest in a prospect of being able to enlarge their knowledge and derive greater benefit from their membership in the craft. I have been requested to bring before Grand Lodge the proposition again that was mooted before, viz., that lecturers should, if possible, be obtained who would travel round and give

instructions and invite discussions upon many of the subjects that our thoughtful members would be most interested in.

In closing I wish to thank the brethren most cordially for having elected me D.D.G.M. for this district. The work has been very pleasant owing to the good fellowship and hospitality I have met in all my travels, and I also feel that the experience gained and the many friends, I hope I have made, will be most useful and beneficial for the rest of my life.

Fraternally submitted,

E. N. BARKER,

D.D.G.M. District No. 11.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Edmonton, May 14th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I beg to submit herewith my report upon the condition of Masonry in the Twelfth Masonic District for the year 1919-20.

I visited all the city lodges in my district officially upon two occasions, and unofficially a number of times. Edson Lodge, No. 68, I visited once (unofficially). The following is a detail of the duties of my year.

JASPER LODGE, NO. 14

On June 23rd I visited this lodge and again on April 12th, 1920, accompanied upon both occasions by R.W. Bro. D. McIntosh, and R.W. Bro. Newbigging. Upon the first occasion mentioned I installed the officers for the ensuing twelve months and was most efficiently assisted by the R.W. Bros. mentioned. They had no degree work on either occasion but have visited this lodge a number of times unofficially and the W.M., and his officers do excellent work. Would like to note that the brethren of this lodge made a splendid effort in connection with their contributions to the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge.

STRATHCONA LODGE, NO. 77

I visited Strathcona Lodge, No. 77, on Nov. 21st, and again on May 7th. At my first visit there was no degree work but upon my second visit the second degree was worked in an excellent manner indeed. The brethren of this lodge take a deep interest in their work and the welfare of their lodge, and they certainly are exemplifying their degrees in a most impressive manner.

EDSON LODGE, NO. 68

I visited Edson Lodge on March 19th and received a most cordial and hearty welcome. The brethren were particularly anxious for a visit from your District Deputy as they had been overlooked somewhat in the past, in the matter of official visits. The meeting was emergent and

called for the purpose of conferring the second degree. The work was well done by R.W. Bro. Jellis and his officers. This lodge has been unfortunate in the fact that this year and last the W.M. has removed from the locality about the middle of his year. However, they carry on well by reason of some enthusiastic P.M.'s, taking up the master's duties. The lodge is in good condition.

PATRICIA LODGE, NO. 91

I visited Patricia Lodge, No. 91, on April 19th. This is my own lodge and I see the work there regularly. Their attendance record is low considering their membership. Upon the evening of my visit they worked the First and Third Degrees in a reasonably efficient manner. This lodge has given a good sum to the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge and think by the time of the Grand Lodge meeting they will have reached their quota. The amount raised, however, is from about half the membership and I would like the others to indicate a similar Masonic spirit. The lodge is in a good healthy condition. The Historical Register requires attention.

SASKATCHEWAN LODGE, NO. 92

I visited this lodge on June 26th to install the officers, and was accompanied and ably assisted by R.W. Bros. Newbigging and McIntosh. All the officers were not present for installation and I take it that it shows a lack of interest in their lodge and lack of appreciation of their preferment. I again visited this lodge on Dec. 31st, and saw the First Degree worked. The lodge has an earnest and sincere W.M., but he and his officers are not receiving the support and encouragement from the P.M.'s that they should reasonably expect.

WEST EDMONTON LODGE, NO. 101

I installed the officers of West Edmonton Lodge, No. 101, on Dec. 27th, and was accompanied and assisted on the occasion by R.W. Bros. McIntosh and Seed. There was no degree work and after the installation ceremony the evening was spent most pleasantly in social intercourse.

On May 5th I again visited this lodge at their regular meeting, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Newbigging. I have witnessed the officers of the lodge conferring degrees and they do their work very creditably.

WESTLOCK LODGE, U.D.

On April 2nd at the request of the M.W. the Grand Master, and accompanied by M.W. Bro. Darling, I visited Westlock and instituted a lodge of Masons, they having made proper application for the same. Strathcona Lodge, No. 77, kindly let us have the use of their regalia for the occasion, this being necessary as the Westlock brethren had been disappointed in not receiving their own in time for the above ceremony. I learn that the regalia has not yet been forwarded complete, but no doubt will be all in condition in a short time.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

On April 5th and 6th a Lodge of Instruction was held at the call of the M.W. the Grand Secretary. The first day was devoted to a Canadian Rite work, and the second day to the York Rite. It was a decided success and was largely attended by the local brethren. The M.W. The Grand

Master was present with his Grand Secretary and a number of Grand Lodge officers.

The meeting was interesting and instructive and should materially tend to bring about greater uniformity in the degree work, so greatly to be desired. Our Grand Lodge officers spoke at some length upon the matter of the Benevolent Fund which gave an impetus to efforts in this connection, which I am sure had good results in bringing a number of Lodges up to the desired quota.

Speaking generally, I find Masonry in a good healthy condition in District No. 12. Would like to see a little greater evidence of those truly Masonic characteristics, Benevolence and Charity, by much greater contributions to the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge, if ever we hope to accomplish much along this line of action.

Masonic gossip is too prevalent and the brethren must be impressed with the necessity of avoiding this nuisance. Would like to take this opportunity in conclusion to thank the officers and members of all the lodges in this district for the honor they paid me by electing me their District Deputy, and also for the courtesy shown me while engaged in carrying out the duties of said office. I wish also to thank those brethren who gave of their time to assist me upon a number of my official visits often at inconvenience to themselves.

Fraternally submitted,

S. M. SNEDDEN,

D.D.G.M. District No. 12.

THIRTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Lake Saskatoon, May 1st, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I beg herewith to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 13.

On July 9th, 1919, I had the honor of being installed in Lake Saskatoon Lodge, No. 106, by V.W. Bro. Harry Watts, Grand Organist.

LAKE SASKATOON LODGE, NO. 106

My first official visit was paid to this lodge on Dec. 3rd, 1919, when the M.M. Degree was conferred by V.W. Bro. W. H. Watts and the regular officers of the lodge. The work was most creditably done, showing that the officers of the lodge take great interest in perfecting their work. On Dec. 27th, 1919, it was my pleasant duty, with the assistance of V.W. Bro. Watts, the retiring Master, to install the new officers for the ensuing twelve months. These meetings had a very large attendance.

I again visited this lodge on Jan. 7th, 1920, for the purpose of conferring the P.M. Degree on W. Bro. Otto, of Grande Prairie Lodge, No. 105,

and W. Bro. Grant, of Lake Saskatoon Lodge, No. 106. I also visited this lodge on April 7th, 1920, when the Second Degree was conferred by W. Bro. Grant and the officers of the lodge in a most efficient manner. This lodge is in a good financial condition, the books being up to date, with the exception of the History, which was up to date as far as the personal history of the members, but no mention had been made of official visits to the lodge. I instructed the lodge to have all events of Masonic note entered chronologically in the History.

GRANDE PRAIRIE LODGE, NO. 105

I visited this lodge, accompanied by V.W. Bro. Watts, Grand Organist, on Friday, Dec. 5th, 1919, when the Second Degree was conferred by Bro. James McFarlane, and the regular officers of the lodge, in a very satisfactory manner.

I again visited the lodge on April 2nd, 1920, accompanied by V.W. Bro. Watts, and Bro. Charles Cowpar, of Lake Saskatoon Lodge, when the Third Degree was conferred by W. Bro. Ernest Otto, and the regular officers of the lodge, in a very capable manner. The books of the lodge are in a very good condition.

WAHPUN LODGE, NO. 88

On Thursday, March 5th, 1920, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Harris, P.D.D.G.M., I visited this lodge, when the third degree was conferred in a particularly impressive manner by W. Bro. Leviston, and the officers of the lodge. The books of this lodge are up to date in every respect. The meetings are not very well attended owing to the distance many of the members have to travel. One member, R.W. Bro. Harris, lives twenty-five miles from the lodge room, yet has never missed a meeting.

Each lodge made me its guest at a collation.

From the programmes that I enjoyed I gathered that the Spirit of Camarderie was excellent. Valuable words of Masonic Light, as well as lighter numbers of song and story made the lodge meeting something more than routine work, an enjoyable evening to be looked forward to. A paper on the Genesis of Masonry was prepared by V.W. Bro. Watts, and I had the honor to submit a paper on the purport and usefulness of Masonry.

I greatly regret to have to report that owing to weather conditions I was unable to visit Peace River Lodge, No. 89. Being closely in touch through correspondence with the working of the Lodge I the more deeply regretted having to forgo the pleasure of visiting this well attended lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

W. S. PEARCY,

D.D.G.M. District No. 13.

FOURTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Delia, May 26th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—

I have the honor to submit my official report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 14, under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

I have been deeply conscious of the duties imposed on me as representative of the M.W. the Grand Master, and have endeavored to inculcate in the district the true Masonic tenets and principles to the best of my ability, and I feel after visiting the lodges in the district that they are all in a healthy condition.

On Oct. 26th I called a Lodge of Instruction at Hanna at which the M.W. the Grand Master, W. J. Botterill, and the M.W. the Grand Secretary were present. There were representatives at this meeting from every lodge in the district, except one, and the masterly addresses from the Grand Lodge officers have made a lasting impression in the district, several inaccuracies in the work were taken up and discussed and I am satisfied the result of the Lodge of Instruction as regards the uniformity of the work now in the district warranted the time and expense. The officers and members of Hanna Lodge merit special mention for the successful manner in which they carried out the entertainment of the visitors on that day.

HAND HILL LODGE, NO. 98

On Dec. 22nd under dispensation to install out of time, I installed the officers of Hand Hill Lodge No. 98, at Delia, Alta. On April 7th I made an official visit to my own Lodge Hand Hill, No. 98, and exemplified the work of the Third Degree and was pleased to see 36 present out of a total membership of 44.

HANNA LODGE, NO. 78

On May 5th in company with several brethren from Hand Hill Lodge, I made an official visit to Hanna Lodge, No. 78, where the degrees were put on in a most creditable manner.

OYEN LODGE, NO. 104

On May 10th I visited Oyen Lodge, No. 104, and while there was no work put on and not enough officers present to exemplify the work, I found the lodge in a fairly healthy condition, with some very good material working through the chairs, and I bespeak success for Oyen Lodge. This is the only lodge in the district which owns its own building.

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, NO. 99

On May 11th I visited this lodge at Sibbald and found the officers well skilled in their work and full of enthusiasm.

CHINOOK LODGE, U.D.

On May 12th, accompanied by W. Bro. J. P. McBeath, of Delia, I instituted Chinook Lodge, U.D. I was also assisted at this ceremony by

several brethren from Oyen and Youngstown. The officers chosen proved themselves to be in possession of the work of several degrees and are full of enthusiasm, and I am looking for this lodge to be a credit to the district. After the ceremony of Institution we were entertained at a very elaborate banquet served by the ladies of the village.

ACADIA LODGE, NO. 82

On May 15th I paid an official visit to Acadia Lodge, No. 82, and found the officers well skilled in their work, and well supported by the attendance of members at lodge.

SYMBOL LODGE, NO. 93

On May 21st I had planned to visit Symbol Lodge, No. 93, at Drumheller, and just as twenty of the Delia brethren were ready to leave with me a rain storm set in that made it impossible to travel with care, there were no trains so the trip had to be cancelled. I have made arrangements to visit Symbol Lodge on June 3rd, but that will be too late for my report.

In conclusion I have found among the new lodges not enough care is being taken to keep the Historical Register and the Minute Book written up fully in the wording of the Constitution, and I have urged that this be rectified as much as possible.

I also found some arrears of dues which I think could be overcome with a little tact and energy on the part of the Secretary. A good Secretary who will watch carefully all the details of his lodge is just as important as a good Master.

I wish to thank the M.W. the Grand Master and the M.W. the Grand Secretary for their kind and able assistance they have given me this last year, and also to express my appreciation to all the lodges in the district for the very kind and courteous receptions I have received from them all.

Fraternally submitted,

D. H. CAMPBELL,

D.D.G.M. District No. 14.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. A. S. Estey (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott (2), "That the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters as presented be received and referred to the Committee on the Condition of Masonry."

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 12.45 o'clock p.m.

First Day = = Afternoon Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

Calgary, June 1st, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Brethren
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

I herewith submit to you my report as Grand Treasurer for the fiscal year ending January 31st, 1920:

Feb. 1st, 1919, Debit balance per Bank Book	\$ 1,223.47
Deposits	16,616.05
	\$15,392.58
Cheques Issued	\$13,410.57
Less Cheques Outstanding	90.00
	\$13,320.57
Feb. 1st, 1920, Balance in Bank	\$ 2,072.01

Detailed account of above receipts and disbursements are fully set forth in report of Grand Secretary.

Faithfully submitted,
THOMAS SHARPE,
Grand Secretary.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. Robt. Patterson (3), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the report of the Grand Treasurer be received and referred to the Committee on Finance."

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Calgary, Alta., June 9th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

I herewith present the Fifteenth Annual Report of your Grand Secretary, containing an account of all Receipts and Expenditures for the financial year ending January 31st, 1920, also a Statement of the Investments and Loans made by Grand Lodge, and of the Assets and Liabilities as of that date. I also present a synopsis of the Returns of the several Lodges to Dec. 27th, 1919, together with a Statement of Certificates and Charters Issued; New Lodges formed; By-Laws and amendments thereto approved; Dispensations issued; Grand Representatives appointed and all other official acts of the M.W. the Grand Master and all other transactions of this office for the past year.

PROCEEDINGS

Twelve hundred copies of the Proceedings of the last Annual Communication were printed and distributed in accordance with the requirements of Grand Lodge.

CERTIFICATES

In accordance with Section 71 of the Constitution, Certificates were issued to all elected and appointed Officers of Grand Lodge.

I have issued 859 Master Masons' Certificates to brethren raised during the year.

During the past year, 11 Life Members were registered and the requisite certificates issued.

I have also issued 90 Past Masters' Certificates to Past Masters who applied for the same.

CHARTERS

In compliance with the instructions of Grand Lodge, Charters were issued to the following Lodges, and these Lodges were duly constituted and their officers installed.

Carbon Lodge, No. 107, at Carbon, in the First Masonic District, constituted July 8th, 1919, by M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, Grand Master.

Pyramid Lodge, No. 108, at Lomond, in the Eleventh Masonic District, constituted July 28th, 1919, by M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, Grand Master.

Ancient Landmark Lodge, at Mirror, in the Ninth Masonic District, was continued under dispensation.

NEW LODGES

Kilwinning Lodge, at Minburn, in the Tenth Masonic District. Dispensation issued June 25th, 1919. Geo. T. McGregor, W.M.; Le Roy A. Wheeler, S.W.; James Fonger, J.W. Instituted July 14th, 1919, by R.W. Bro. C. J. Lakey, D.D.G.M.

Nobleford Lodge, at Nobleford, in the Eleventh Masonic District. Dispensation issued June 21st, 1919. James Harris, W.M.; Chas. Depew, S.W.; Frank Bozarth, J.W. Instituted August 6th, 1919, by R.W. Bro. E. N. Barker, D.D.G.M.

Cyprus Lodge, at Three Hills, in the Ninth Masonic District. Dispensation issued November 28th, 1919. Pearly C. Kimball, W.M.; William White, S.W.; William Hart, J.W. Instituted December 17th, 1919, by R.W. Bro. G. H. Darlow, D.D.G.M.

Victory Lodge, at Jarow, in the Third Masonic District. Dispensation issued November 29th, 1919. Nils Bengston Lindholm, W.M.; John Arthur Waite, S.W.; William John Fleming, J.W. Instituted January 28th, 1920, by R.W. Bro. William McAthey, P.D.D.G.M.

Westlock Lodge, at Westlock, in the Twelfth Masonic District. Dispensation issued February 25th, 1920. Herbert E. Manning, W.M.; Wil-

liam Gilfillan, S.W.; Archie R. Brown, J.W. Instituted April 2nd, 1920, by R.W. Bro. S. M. Snedden, D.D.G.M.

Crocus Lodge, at Chinook, in the Fourteenth Masonic District. Dispensation issued March 25th, 1920. William W. Isbister, W.M.; Lewis Stephen Dawson, S.W.; Martin L. Chapman, J.W. Instituted May 12th, 1920, by R.W. Bro. D. H. Campbell, D.D.G.M.

BY-LAWS

The M.W. the Grand Master has examined and approved the By-laws of the following Lodges:

King George, No. 59	July	28, 1919
Carbon, No. 107	Sept.	22, 1919
Crescent, No. 87	Nov.	26, 1919
Mizpah, No. 35	Dec.	18, 1919
Lake Saskatoon, No. 106	Jan.	17, 1920
Champion, No. 84	Jan.	19, 1920
Crossfield, No. 48	Feb.	2, 1920
Innisfail, No. 8	Feb.	7, 1920

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Vermilion, No. 24	June	23, 1919
Mizpah, No. 35	June	23, 1919
Comet, No. 50	Aug.	8, 1919
Medicine Hat, No. 2	Sept.	12, 1919
Medicine Hat, No. 2	Oct.	28, 1919
Zetland, No. 83	Oct.	29, 1919
Medicine Hat, No. 2	Oct.	29, 1919
Doric, No. 31	Nov.	11, 1919
Crossfield, No. 48	Feb.	2, 1920
Wahpun, No. 88	Feb.	18, 1920
Kenilworth, No. 29	Mar.	3, 1920
Lamont, No. 94	Feb.	23, 1920
Carbon, No. 107	Mar.	6, 1920
Edson, No. 68	May	5, 1920
Kenilworth, No. 29	May	11, 1920
Bow Island, No. 64	May	26, 1920

DISPENSATIONS

TO WEAR REGALIA AT DIVINE SERVICE

Acme, No. 60	June	17, 1919
Red Deer, No. 12	June	17, 1919
Mountain View, No. 16	June	17, 1919
Vermilion, No. 24	June	19, 1919
Strathcona, No. 77	June	20, 1919
Star of the West, No. 34	June	20, 1919
Champion, No. 84	June	20, 1919
Excelsior, No. 80	June	23, 1919
Coronation, No. 72	June	24, 1919
Kitchener, No. 95	June	24, 1919

Bow Island, No. 64	June	26, 1919
West Edmonton, No. 101	July	2, 1919
Provost, No. 61	July	2, 1919
Ionic, No. 45	July	17, 1919
Symbol, No. 93	July	18, 1919
Diamond City, No. 65	Aug.	11, 1919
Ionic, No. 45	Sept.	10, 1919
Empire, No. 63	Sept.	17, 1919
Carbon, No. 107	Sept.	23, 1919

TO ELECT AND INSTAL OUT OF TIME

Gleichen, No. 36	Sept.	4, 1919
West Edmonton, No. 101	Sept.	13, 1919
Pyramid, No. 108	Oct.	14, 1919
Kenilworth, No. 29	Oct.	29, 1919
North Star, No. 4	Jan.	3, 1920
Zetland, No. 83	Feb.	23, 1920
Norwood, No. 90	Feb.	26, 1920
Mount Moriah, No. 99	April	28, 1920
Ionic, No. 45	May	3, 1920
Vermilion, No. 24	May	10, 1920
Lethbridge, No. 39	May	29, 1920

TO HOLD SPECIAL INSTALLATIONS

Jasper, No. 14	June	15, 1919
Patricia, No. 91	June	25, 1919
St. Andrew's, No. 66	June	30, 1919
St. Andrew's, No. 66	Sept.	16, 1919
Mizpah, No. 35	Nov.	22, 1919
North Star, No. 4	Dec.	2, 1919
Carstarirs, No. 20	Dec.	6, 1919
Apollo, No. 27	Dec.	8, 1919
Eureka, No. 10	Dec.	9, 1919
Brooks, No. 73	Dec.	9, 1919
Bassano, No. 55	Dec.	9, 1919
Alberta, No. 3	Dec.	9, 1919
Vulcan, No. 74	Dec.	9, 1919
Lethbridge, No. 39	Dec.	9, 1919
Stavelly, No. 33	Dec.	10, 1919
Quarry, No. 70	Dec.	11, 1919
Unity, No. 51	Dec.	11, 1919
Hand Hill, No. 98	Dec.	11, 1919
Medicine Hat, No. 2	Dec.	12, 1919
Morning Star, No. 79	Dec.	12, 1919
Coronation, No. 72	Dec.	15, 1919
Perfection, No. 9	Dec.	15, 1919
Ashlar, No. 28	Dec.	16, 1919
Crescent, No. 87	Dec.	16, 1919
Diamond City, No. 65	Dec.	17, 1919
Wahpun, No. 88	Dec.	17, 1919
Strathmore, No. 53	Dec.	18, 1919
Corinthian, No. 22	Dec.	18, 1919

King Solomon, No. 41	Dec.	20, 1919
Warner, No. 100	Dec.	20, 1919
Bow Island, No. 64	Dec.	23, 1919
Comet, No. 50	Dec.	24, 1919
Zetland, No. 83	Dec.	27, 1919
Bow River, No. 1	Dec.	27, 1919
Champion, No. 84	Dec.	29, 1919
Empire, No. 63	Dec.	30, 1919
Acme, No. 60	May	28, 1920
Edgerton, No. 102	June	2, 1920

TO CONFER DEGREES OUT OF TIME

King George, No. 59	June	23, 1919
Apollo, No. 27	Nov.	7, 1919
Ashlar, No. 28	Nov.	13, 1919
Acadia, No. 82	Jan.	20, 1920
Bow River, No. 1	Mar.	19, 1920
Cyprus, U.D.	April	6, 1920
Jasper, No. 14	April	19, 1920
Strathcona, No. 77	May	28, 1920

TO CHANGE NIGHT OF REGULAR MEETING

Bassano, No. 55	June	27, 1919
Nobleford, U.D.	Oct.	15, 1919
West Edmonton, No. 101	Oct.	27, 1919
Empire, No. 63	Nov.	24, 1919
Cornerstone, No. 19	Dec.	10, 1919
Edmonton, No. 7	April	6, 1920
Excelsior, No. 80	May	14, 1920

TO INITIATE WITHOUT FULL RESIDENCE QUALIFICATIONS

Ashlar, No. 28	Sept.	2, 1919
Wahpun, No. 88	Dec.	20, 1919
Palestine, No. 46	Mar.	13, 1920
Britannia, No. 18	April	19, 1920
Kenilworth, No. 29	April	18, 1920
North Star, No. 4	May	10, 1920
Wetaskiwin, No. 15	May	17, 1920

TO RECONSIDER PETITIONS

Oyen, No. 104	Nov.	12, 1919
Empire, No. 63	Nov.	24, 1919
Strathmore, No. 53	Mar.	13, 1920

TO INSTAL A WORSHIPFUL MASTER WITHOUT WARDEN'S QUALIFICATION

Symbol, No. 93	Dec.	26, 1919
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TO ACT WITH PHYSICAL DEFECT

Lethbridge, No. 39	June	4, 1919
Norwood, No. 90	Sept.	4, 1919
Summit, No. 30	Dec.	5, 1919
Rocky Mountain, No. 86	Dec.	10, 1919
Mount Lebanon, No. 54	Dec.	18, 1919
Crescent, No. 87	Mar.	13, 1920

INCORPORATION OF LODGES

A Certificate as required by the Grand Lodge Act of Incorporation was issued to:

Chinook, No. 47	Sept.	4, 1919
Joppa, No. 40	Sept.	30, 1919
Norwood, No. 90	Nov.	10, 1919

GRAND LODGE REPRESENTATIVES

Upon the recommendation of the M.W. the Grand Master of Mississippi, the M.W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. H. H. Watts, of Newton, Mississippi, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Mississippi.

Upon the recommendation of the M.W. the Grand Master of Alberta, R.W. Bro. John Collison, of Red Deer, Alberta, was commissioned as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New York, near the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

Upon the recommendation of the M.W. the Grand Master of Alberta, R.W. Bro. Norman E. Carruthers, of Lacombe, Alberta, was commissioned as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of California, near the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

The following Special Committees were appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master:

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson, Chairman; M.W. Bro. W. M. Conacher, M.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

M.W. Bro. Dr. H. Darling, Chairman; R.W. Bro. George Murray, W. Bro. R. A. Brown.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

R.W. Bro. J. Rex Brown, Chairman; W. Bro. Walter Frantzen, W. Bro. Frank Fowler.

FRATERNAL DEAD

W. Bro. A. H. Denoon, Chairman; V.W. Bro. J. E. Johnson, R.W. Bro. S. J. Fawcett.

MEMBERSHIP

INCREASE

Membership, December 27th, 1918		8,535
Initiated	995	
Passed	901	
Raised	830	
Joined	298	
Reinstated	43	1,336
Total Increase		9,871

DECREASE

Dimitted	293	
Suspended N.P.D.	156	
Suspended U.M.C.	2	
Died	77	528
Total Membership, December 27th, 1919		9,343
Net increase		808

RETURNS, ETC.

Secretaries of lodges, with one noted exception, have been very prompt in answering all communications and in forwarding their semi-annual returns to this office. We are pleased to note that the majority of Secretaries are continuing in office from year to year, and that over fifty percent of their number are Past Masters. The numerical growth of our lodges has been exceptional during the past year. There has been an increase of nearly ten percent in membership. While we should be willing to welcome a good man and true into our Order, yet it seems to me that there never was a time when greater care should be exercised in the selection of material, and the guarding of the portals of our institution against the possibility of admission of unworthy candidates.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION

Fourteen Lodges of Instruction were held in thirteen Masonic Districts during the past year. District No. 13, located in the Far North, is comprised of four lodges so situated that it seemed impracticable and would occasion too great a loss of time and expenditure of money to hold a Lodge of Instruction in that district. At each of these Lodges of Instruction one or more degrees were exemplified and the work reviewed by the Custodian of the Work. With one or two exceptions the degree work was exceptionally well done. It is to be hoped that in the near future less time will be required to be devoted to the exemplification of degree work and more time allowed for the delivery of addresses by students of Freemasonry on important topics.

When a brother becomes a Master Mason our duty towards him has just begun. He should be taught what Freemasonry really is and what are its aims. Most Initiates are hungry for such teaching. Our lodge officers chosen from all walks of life, have seldom the time to study ways and means other than by "WORK" to teach the fundamental principles of the Craft and supplement the Ritual. One of the functions of our lodges of Instruction should be to provide the necessary information and suggest methods. We must apply methods which will be interpretative to the

"WORK" and of our history, our organization and form of government. We must translate in modern terms that work brought down to us through the centuries so that its usefulness may be the better revealed. To accomplish this requires that men charged with this promulgation should be trained and educated Masons, schooled in the lore and customs of the Craft and possessing a vision of the world's problems. They must be able to so visualize Masonic principles that the brethren may learn Free Masonry's solutions of these problems. We should aim to make our brethren better Masons and to enable them by a broader understanding of Masonic principles to work more effectively for civic righteousness and the betterment of humanity.

It was the unanimous opinion expressed at these Lodges of Instruction that they should be continued from year to year. A District Secretary was chosen to keep an accurate record of the meetings in a Minute Book supplied by Grand Lodge. It is hoped that the records of each district will be kept from year to year. The place of meeting of the district for next year was chosen by the representatives at their district meeting. At each of these gatherings a special plea was made on behalf of the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge.

BENEVOLENCE

We are pleased to be able to state that while we have not reached the objective of \$50,000.00, or an average of \$6.00 per member, based on the membership reported on June 27th, 1919 nevertheless, many of our lodges have contributed a much larger amount than their allotment as the accompanying statement will show. We desire to congratulate the lodges located in the Southern part of the province. There has been a crop failure in that section for the last four years and notwithstanding this, practically every lodge in the South has contributed its full quota to the fund. We desire especially to congratulate Carbon Lodge, No. 107, on having contributed the largest amount per member of any lodge in the province and having thus worthily won the shield to be presented by Grand Lodge. I trust that at this annual Communication the whole matter of Benevolence will be fully reviewed and plans formulated for the continuance of an aggressive campaign for this most worthy cause.

I desire to thank the M.W. the Grand Master for the many courtesies extended to me during the past year, and the brethren throughout the province for their many acts of kindness and thoughtfulness, thus making the past year a very pleasant though strenuous one.

Fraternally submitted,

S. Y. TAYLOR,

Grand Secretary.

Financial Report of Grand Secretary and Auditor's Report For the Year 1920

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

The Grand Secretary in account with Grand Lodge.

Moneys received between February 1st, 1919, and January 31st, 1920.

No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT	No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT
1.	Bow River	\$ 315.40	38.	Hope	79.35
2.	Medicine Hat	214.75	39.	Lethbridge	177.80
3.	Alberta	85.90	40.	Joppa	50.95
4.	North Star	323.75	41.	King Solomon	32.65
5.	Cascade	93.00	42.	Bowden	40.30
6.	Spitzie	104.80	43.	Tuscan	109.95
7.	Edmonton	171.20	44.	Buffalo Park	67.85
8.	Innisfail	122.40	45.	Ionic	70.15
9.	Perfection	267.45	46.	Palestine	71.55
10.	Eureka	109.00	47.	Chinook	18.95
11.	Acacia	157.15	48.	Crossfield	57.30
12.	Red Deer	220.75	49.	Robert Burns	65.80
13.	Victoria	92.81	50.	Comet	70.80
14.	Jasper	163.55	51.	Unity	327.95
15.	Wetaskiwin	103.45	52.	Langdon	8.40
16.	Mountain View	63.50	53.	Strathmore	130.45
17.	Nanton	130.40	54.	Mount Lebanon ...	361.95
18.	Britannia	153.95	55.	Bassano	92.10
19.	Cornerstone	135.60	56.	Beaver	81.95
20.	Carstairs	40.45	57.	Grassy Lake	131.00
21.	King Hiram	65.45	58.	Chief Mountain ...	22.75
22.	Corinthian	52.80	59.	King George	318.90
23.	Calgary	273.10	60.	Acme	78.45
24.	Vermilion	93.80	61.	Provost	69.60
25.	St. John's	118.30	62.	Coal	8.75
26.	Sentinel	64.65	63.	Empire	129.40
27.	Apollo	86.65	64.	Bow Island	82.90
28.	Ashlar	302.05	65.	Diamond City	38.65
29.	Kenilworth	131.95	66.	St. Andrew's	
30.	Summit	51.50	67.	Charity	67.85
31.	Doric	84.75	68.	Edson	62.40
32.	Cairo	53.25	69.	Connaught	15.25
33.	Stavely	79.00	70.	Quarry	116.50
34.	Star of the West...	53.90	71.	Tawatinaw	17.80
35.	Mizpah	193.63	72.	Coronation	90.50
36.	Gleichen	89.80	73.	Brooks	61.25
37.	Camrose	72.05	74.	Vulcan	104.10

No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT	No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT
75.	Harmony	37.80	100.	Warner	37.70
76.	Fidelity	61.55	101.	West Edmonton ...	90.10
77.	Strathcona	191.05	102.	Edgerton	58.05
78.	Hanna	60.30	103.	Foremost	44.75
79.	Morning Star	114.20	104.	Oyen	143.20
80.	Excelsior	64.55	105.	Grande Prairie	88.80
81.	Commercial	191.35	106.	Lake Saskatoon ...	111.20
82.	Acadia	188.40	107.	Carbon	107.10
83.	Zetland	255.95	108.	Pyramid	32.25
84.	Champion	56.15	U. D. Ancient Landmark.		122.40
85.	Suffield	19.80	U. D. Nobleford		95.18
86.	Rocky Mountain ...	10.00	U. D. Kilwinning		66.30
87.	Crescent	228.95	U. D. Cyprus		75.30
88.	Wahpun	39.70	U. D. Victory		73.70
89.	Peace River	46.10	Masonic District No. 2...		85.00
90.	Norwood	92.95	Sundry Accounts		.50
91.	Patricia	324.75	Interest on War Bonds..		89.92
92.	Saskatchewan	67.05	Loan from Benevolent		
93.	Symbol	162.55	Fund		2600.00
94.	Lamont	42.95	War Bonds transferred to		
95.	Kitchener	46.25	Benevolent Fund		1760.16
96.	Dynamic	91.90	Hillcrest Relief Fund		
97.	Albion	37.60	Loan		150.00
98.	Hand Hill	70.45			
99.	Mount Moriah	60.35			
					<u>\$16,663.00</u>

MASONIC GREAT WAR FUND RECEIPTS

February 1st, 1919 to June 30th, 1919.

No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT	No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT
10.	Eureka	\$ 122.00	50.	Comet	80.00
12.	Red Deer	105.00	58.	Chief Mountain ...	50.00
15.	Wetaskiwin	462.95	61.	Provost	134.00
16.	Mountain View ...	25.00	65.	Diamond City	104.00
20.	Carstairs	10.00	67.	Charity	22.50
21.	King Hiram	73.00	77.	Strathcona	54.00
24.	Vermilion	50.00	81.	Commercial	100.00
25.	St. John's	100.00	84.	Champion	90.00
28.	Ashlar	254.44	88.	Wahpun	25.00
29.	Kenilworth	315.00	98.	Hand Hill	116.80
32.	Cairo	65.65	102.	Edgerton	30.00
34.	Star of the West...	138.50	106.	Lake Saskatoon ...	40.25
36.	Gleichen	100.15	Interest, War Loans		442.76
39.	Lethbridge	200.00	Interest, Savings Bank ..		31.92
46.	Palestine	140.10			
48.	Crossfield	25.00			
49.	Robert Burns	164.40			
					<u>\$3,672.42</u>

MASONIC GREAT WAR FUND STATEMENT

Feb. 1, 1919—Cash in Savings Account	\$2,461.55
Cash Receipts	3,640.50
Interest, Savings Bank	31.92
	<u>\$6,133.97</u>
Less:	
Invested in War Loan	\$4,030.00
Accrued Interest	21.10
E. T. Bishop	60.00
	<u>4,111.10</u>
June 30, 1919—Cash in Savings Account	\$2,022.87
Transferred to Benevolent Capital Fund	

MASONIC BENEVOLENT FUND RECEIPTS

July 1st, 1919 to January 31st, 1920.

No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT	No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT
2.	Medicine Hat	\$ 650.91	57.	Grassy Lake	38.50
3.	Alberta	200.00	58.	Chief Mountain	92.00
4.	North Star	1295.00	59.	King George	18.00
10.	Eureka	408.25	60.	Acme	172.00
12.	Red Deer	627.00	63.	Empire	374.00
15.	Wetaskiwin	10.00	65.	Diamond City	28.95
16.	Mountain View ...	181.25	67.	Charity	230.70
17.	Nanton	400.00	70.	Quarry	106.00
18.	Britannia	35.00	74.	Vulcan	322.00
19.	Cornerstone	373.50	75.	Harmony	120.00
21.	King Hiram	194.00	76.	Fidelity	165.00
22.	Corinthian	100.00	78.	Hanna	301.00
26.	Sentinel	340.50	79.	Morning Star	100.00
28.	Ashlar	700.50	80.	Excelsior	144.83
29.	Kenilworth	255.00	81.	Commercial	280.00
30.	Summit	128.70	82.	Acadia	318.25
31.	Doric	177.50	83.	Zetland	1037.25
32.	Cairo	30.00	84.	Champion	74.00
33.	Stavely	145.00	87.	Crescent	150.00
34.	Star of the West...	87.00	88.	Wahpun	58.00
35.	Mizpah	10.00	93.	Symbol	47.88
36.	Gleichen	273.55	94.	Lamont	40.00
37.	Camrose	355.00	98.	Hand Hill	35.00
38.	Hope	25.00	99.	Mount Moriah	100.00
39.	Lethbridge	521.00	100.	Warner	34.00
42.	Bowden	45.50	102.	Edgerton	138.00
43.	Tuscan	60.00	106.	Lake Saskatoon ...	93.00
45.	Ionic	132.00	107.	Carbon	261.00
46.	Palestine	33.00	108.	Pyramid	98.00
47.	Chinook	113.80		Gerry Bros.	5.00
48.	Crossfield	305.00		Interest on Capital Fund.	315.85
49.	Robert Burns	76.60			
55.	Bassano	259.95			
					<u>\$13,847.72</u>

MASONIC BENEVOLENT FUND STATEMENT

July 1, 1919—Great War Fund	\$ 2,022.87
A. M. H. & S. Fund	475.03
Hillcrest Relief Fund	2.88
Cash Receipts	13,130.94
War Bonds	650.00
Relief Fund	45.84
Interest, Savings	20.94
	\$16,348.50
Less:	
Loan, Current Account	\$ 2,600.00
Invested in War Bonds	12,508.72
Relief Fund	45.84
Hillcrest Relief Loan	150.00
	\$15,304.56
Feb. 1, 1920—Cash in Savings Account	\$ 1,043.94

MASONIC RELIEF FUND STATEMENT

Feb. 1, 1920—Interest, War Bonds	\$ 370.32
Interest, Savings	.97
Feb. 1, 1920—Cash in Savings Account	\$ 371.29

CANADIAN VOLUNTARY FIELD HOSPITAL FUND

Feb. 1, 1919—Balance at Credit	\$ 195.00
Feb. 1, 1920—Balance at Credit	195.00

ALBERTA MASONIC HOME AND SCHOOL FUND

Feb. 1, 1919—Cash in Savings Account	\$ 1,202.01
Interest, War Bonds	13.06
Rent	50.00
Interest, Savings	12.07
	\$ 1,277.14
Less:	
Taxes	\$ 802.11
June 30, 1919—Cash in Savings Account	475.03
Transferred to Benevolent Capital Fund.	

HILLCREST RELIEF FUND

Feb. 1, 1919—Cash in Savings Account	\$ 100.39
Interest, War Bonds	26.12
Interest, Savings	1.37
	\$ 127.88
Less:	
Frank J. Smith	\$ 125.00
June 30, 1919—Cash in Savings Account	\$ 2.88
Transferred to Benevolent Capital Fund.	

STATEMENT OF VOUCHERS ISSUED

February 1st, 1919 to January 31st, 1920.

No.	NAME	AMOUNT
1.	Hugh McPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	\$ 10.00
2.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
3.	Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	15.00
4.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant..	17.32
5.	Star Printing Works, Printing Reports	27.50
6.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
7.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expenses	182.30
8.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
9.	Arthur H. Petch, Benevolent Grant, Mr. B.	100.00
10.	W. M. Connacher, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. L. H. D.	26.60
11.	Hugh McPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
12.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
13.	Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	15.00
14.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant ..	18.06
15.	Trustees, Wright Estate, Benevolent Grant	40.00
16.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
17.	Star Printing Works, Printing Notices	7.25
18.	Hare & McBean, Care of Typewriter, etc.	6.00
19.	Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia	76.50
20.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
21.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	223.00
22.	Neilson Furniture Co., Use of Folding Tables	5.00
23.	W. M. Logan, Books	50.00
24.	Deputy Minister of Telephones, Rent Telephones, etc.	11.45
25.	W. M. Connacher, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. L. H. D.	22.40
26.	D. McNabb, Railway Fare to Grand Lodge, May, 1917	8.10
27.	H. W. Whiddington, Ry. Fare to Grand Lodge, May, 1918 ..	20.20
28.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
29.	Hugh McPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
30.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
31.	Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	15.00
32.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant..	18.80
33.	Calgary Photo Engraving Co., Music Cuts	14.50
34.	Oldfield, Kirby & Gardner, Rent, Mrs. W. G. M., Ben. Grant	24.00
35.	Ruth Henning, Salary as Stenographer	70.00
35(a)	A. E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
36.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	187.16
37.	Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	15.00
38.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
39.	Hugh McPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
40.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
41.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant...	16.78
42.	West & Brown, Supplies	5.25
43.	Star Printing Works, Printing Circulars, etc.	19.60
44.	J. T. Macdonald, Insurance Premium	90.78
45.	C. J. Campbell & Co., Rent, Elma Block	99.00
46.	Ruth Henning, Salary as Stenographer	70.00
47.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	204.99
48.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
49.	Arthur Hayr, Railway Fare to Grand Lodge, May, 1918...	20.20

No.	NAME	AMOUNT
50.	T. R. Davidson, Railway Fare to Grand Lodge, May, 1917..	8.10
51.	Deputy Minister of Telephones, Rent Telephone	16.20
52.	Frank J. Smith, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. C. C.	20.00
53.	Trustees, Wright Estate, Benevolent Grant	40.00
54.	Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	15.00
55.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
56.	Hugh McPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
57.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
58.	J. Irwin, Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant...	21.63
59.	Star Printing Works, Books and Printing	68.85
60.	J. T. Macdonald, Insurance Premium	35.00
61.	B. McGarvey & Co., Multigraphing	5.25
62.	Ontario Laundry, Use of Cabinet	6.00
63.	Linton Bros., Books	28.15
64.	Ruth Henning, Salary as Stenographer	70.00
65.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	183.20
66.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
67.	Hare & McBean, Repairs, etc., to Typewriter	5.50
68.	Ruth Henning, Salary as Stenographer	39.00
69.	Oldfield, Kirby & Gardner, Rent, Mrs. W. G. M., Ben. Grant	36.00
70.	Frank J. Smith, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. C. C.	50.00
71.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
72.	Hugh McPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
73.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
74.	Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	15.00
75.	Mrs. O. L., Benevolent Grant	50.00
76.	J. Irwin, Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	21.10
77.	W. Ireland, Salary as Auditor	100.00
78.	H. Darling, Balance Grand Master's Expenses	8.95
79.	Linton Bros., Supplies	20.10
80.	Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia	61.50
81.	J. H. Routledge, Engrossing Charters	8.00
82.	Office Specialty Mfg. Co., Cards	18.00
83.	Star Printing Works, Books and Printing	81.35
84.	F. Bradley, Rent of I.O.O.F. Lodge Rooms	60.00
85.	Norman Leslie, Janitor I.O.O.F. Rooms	10.00
86.	J. D. McAra, Printing Reports	48.00
87.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
88.	M. Pinkham, Salary as Stenographer	30.00
89.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	226.75
90.	Deputy Minister of Telephones, Rent Telephone	10.50
91.	W. J. Botterill, Grand Master's Travelling Expenses	100.00
92.	The Douglas Co., Ltd., Printing Burial Service	17.50
93.	E. T. Bishop, Benevolent Grant, G. family	10.00
94.	Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant	15.00
95.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant...	19.98
96.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
97.	Hugh McPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
98.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
99.	D. E. Black & Co., Consecration Vessels	15.00
100.	Star Printing Works, Printing	50.70
101.	J. D. McAra, Grand Master's Report, etc.	254.50
102.	C. J. Campbell & Co., Rent Elma Block	99.00
103.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00

No.	NAME	AMOUNT
104.	M. Pinkham, Salary as Stenographer	75.00
105.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	235.76
106.	John Marnoch, Benevolent Grant, Mortgage, Mrs. W.G.M.	551.00
107.	W. L. Mackenzie, Benevolent Grant, Mr. J. B.	50.00
108.	Trustees Wright Estate, Benevolent Grant	40.00
109.	Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia	158.40
110.	Cushing Bros., Ltd., Chest	18.65
111.	J. D. McAra, Stamping and Mailing Proceedings	16.50
112.	Star Printing Works, Printing Supplies	32.25
113.	E. T. Bishop, Benevolent Grant, G. family	10.00
114.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant..	22.43
115.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
116.	Hugh MacPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
117.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
118.	W. L. Mackenzie, Benevolent Grant, Mr. J. B.	50.00
119.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
120.	M. Pinkham, Salary as Stenographer	75.00
121.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	232.25
122.	Deputy Minister of Telephones, Rent and Long Distance...	13.30
123.	J. D. McAra, Printing Proceedings, etc.	589.80
124.	J. D. McAra, Printing Ceremonials	378.70
125.	J. D. McAra, Printing Constitution, etc.	2629.77
126.	City of Calgary, Benevolent Fund, Taxes, Mrs. W. G. M....	96.35
127.	City of Calgary, Taxes, Macdonald Properties	219.73
128.	W. J. Botterill, Grand Master's Expenses	100.00
129.	Oldfield, Kirby & Gardner, Rent, Mrs. W. G. M., Ben. Grant	36.00
130.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Mrs. W. G. M., Benevolent Grant..	13.45
131.	E. T. Bishop, Benevolent Grant, G. family	10.00
132.	Hugh MacPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
133.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
134.	Trustees Wright Estate, Benevolent Grant	40.00
135.	W. L. Mackenzie, Benevolent Grant, Mr. J. B.	50.00
136.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
137.	Office Specialty Mfg. Co., Card Trays	7.95
138.	Star Printing Works, Printing	43.85
139.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
140.	M. Pinkham, Salary as Stenographer	75.00
141.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	217.50
142.	H. B. Knapp, Stenographer, Foreign Correspondence	27.75
143.	W. J. Botterill, Grand Master's Expenses	100.00
144.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense Lodge's Inst....	296.30
145.	E. T. Bishop, Benevolent Grant, G. family	10.00
146.	Hugh MacPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
147.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
148.	W. L. Mackenzie, Benevolent Grant, Mr. J. B.	50.00
149.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
150.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
151.	M. Pinkham, Salary as Stenographer	75.00
152.	C. J. Campbell & Co., Rent, Elma Block	99.00
153.	Deputy Minister of Telephones, Rent and Long Distance...	11.70
154.	Star Printing Works, Envelopes and Printing	64.65
155.	J. D. McAra, Standard By-laws, etc.	109.50
156.	J. H. Routledge, Engrossing Charter	4.00
157.	Office Specialty Mfg. Co., Card Cabinets	17.25

No.	NAME	AMOUNT
158.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense Lodge's Inst....	278.00
159.	M. Pinkham, Salary as Stenographer	75.00
160.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
161.	E. T. Bishop, Benevolent Grant, G. family	10.00
162.	Hugh MacPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
163.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
164.	W. L. Mackenzie, Benevolent Grant, Mr. J. B.	50.00
165.	John Allan, Benevolent Grant, Bro. H. F. B.	200.00
166.	C. F. Dooley, Benevolent Grant, Bro. W.	87.50
167.	Frank J. Smith, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. C. C.	75.00
168.	Calgary Gas Co., Benevolent Grant, Mrs. L. H. D.	21.00
169.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
170.	Bank of Nova Scotia, Rent, Safety Vault	6.00
171.	Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia	248.40
172.	R. Dewar & Co., Multigraphing	8.05
173.	Trustees Wright Estate, Benevolent Grant	40.00
174.	J. Irwin Co., Groceries, Benevolence	14.61
175.	Oldfield, Kirby & Gardner, Rent, Mrs. W. G. M., Ben. Grant	57.00
176.	Frank J. Smith, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. C. C.	15.00
177.	W. L. Mackenzie, Benevolent Grant, Mr. J. B.	50.00
178.	Mrs. C. S., Benevolent Grant	10.00
179.	G. E. Cruickshank, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. J. S.	25.00
180.	Hugh MacPherson, Benevolent Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J.	10.00
181.	E. T. Bishop, Benevolent Grant, G. family	10.00
182.	D. E. Black & Co., Repairing Collars	1.50
183.	S. Y. Taylor, Salary, Postage and Expense	226.47
184.	M. Pinkham, Salary as Stenographer	75.00
185.	E. Day, Janitor, Wages	5.00
186.	Linton Bros., Books and Supplies	38.35
187.	Linton Bros., Books	19.95
188.	Calgary Gas Co., Benevolent Grant, Mrs. L. H. D.	25.90
189.	Andrew Dairon, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. A. B.	100.00
190.	Trustees Wright Estate, Benevolent Grant	40.00
191.	Deputy Minister of Telephones, Rent	5.25
192.	Star Printing Works, Envelopes	39.90
193.	R. A. Brown, Benevolent Grant, Mrs. E. C. W.	25.00
194.	C. J. Campbell & Co., Rent, Elma Block	99.00
195.	Canada Fine Art Co., Cards	50.25
	Bank of Nova Scotia, Interest on Overdrafts.....	123.10
Total Vouchers Issued		\$13,410.57

LEDGER BALANCES

As at January 31st, 1920.

No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT	No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT
1.	Bow River	\$ 2.00	61.	Provost	25.60
3.	Alberta	40.00	62.	Coal	66.70
4.	North Star	.55	63.	Empire	10.50
5.	Cascade	7.50	64.	Bow Island	4.55
7.	Edmonton	1.85	65.	Diamond City	.55
8.	Innisfail	2.05	66.	St. Andrew's	13.30
9.	Perfection	1.60	68.	Edson	12.40
10.	Eureka	75.90	69.	Connaught	17.35
12.	Red Deer	21.15	70.	Quarry	11.95
13.	Victoria	6.20	71.	Tawatinaw	12.40
16.	Mountain View	.75	72.	Coronation	.75
17.	Nanton	2.75	73.	Brooks	4.65
18.	Britannia	11.05	75.	Harmony	2.80
19.	Cornerstone	2.55	76.	Fidelity	48.00
20.	Carstairs	4.00	77.	Strathcona	.65
21.	King Hiram	16.25	79.	Morning Star	6.20
22.	Corinthian	1.25	80.	Excelsior	16.20
23.	Calgary	8.65	84.	Champion	19.15
25.	St. John's	3.00	85.	Suffield	4.20
26.	Sentinel	4.90	86.	Rocky Mountain	36.85
29.	Kenilworth	9.35	87.	Crescent	3.55
30.	Summit	85.90	88.	Wahpun	4.45
31.	Doric	3.40	89.	Peace River	.15
32.	Cairo	2.25	90.	Norwood	20.05
33.	Stavely	8.85	91.	Patricia	3.50
34.	Star of the West	12.55	92.	Saskatchewan	2.25
35.	Mizpah	13.97	93.	Symbol	.10
36.	Gleichen	4.25	94.	Lamont	1.05
37.	Camrose	1.55	95.	Kitchener	1.30
38.	Hope	.05	96.	Dynamic	1.00
39.	Lethbridge	4.55	97.	Albion	1.20
40.	Joppa	3.15	98.	Hand Hill	34.80
41.	King Solomon	4.20	99.	Mount Moriah	10.70
42.	Bowden	5.80	100.	Warner	2.00
43.	Tuscan	16.00	102.	Edgerton	2.80
44.	Buffalo Park	31.90	103.	Foremost	.45
45.	Ionic	8.10	104.	Oyen	27.80
46.	Palestine	8.55	105.	Grande Prairie	19.80
47.	Chinook	.75	106.	Lake Saskatoon	31.45
48.	Crossfield	7.20	107.	Carbon	5.35
49.	Robert Burns	.35	108.	Pyramid	64.00
50.	Comet	.45		District No. 3	.15
51.	Unity	1.65		District No. 7	28.40
52.	Langdon	4.60		District No. 8	57.45
53.	Strathmore	9.40		District No. 11	97.50
54.	Mount Lebanon	.35		District No. 13	81.85
55.	Bassano	.85		Sundry Small Accts..	32.10
58.	Chief Mountain	5.35			
60.	Acme	2.65			
					<u>\$1,322.02</u>

CREDIT BALANCES

As at January 31st, 1920.

No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT	No.	NAME OF LODGE	AMOUNT
2.	Medicine Hat	\$ 13.00	82.	Acadia	14.35
6.	Spitzie	1.55	101.	West Edmonton	.50
11.	Acacia	7.70	U.D.	Ancient Landmark ..	1.50
15.	Wetaskiwin	39.45	U.D.	Nobleford	3.50
24.	Vermilion	7.60		Nemiscam	.05
27.	Apollo	4.05		District No. 2	8.25
28.	Ashlar	10.10		District No. 9	8.75
56.	Beaver	8.70		District No. 12.....	1.50
57.	Grassy Lake	.05			
67.	Charity	.05			
74.	Vulcan	1.15			
81.	Commercial	.20			
					<u>\$132.00</u>

INVESTMENT AND LOAN ACCOUNT

Masonic Benevolent Fund.

Mortgage, J. T. Macdonald, bearing 8% interest	\$3,000.00
Mortgage, J. T. Macdonald, bearing 8% interest	4,000.00
Mortgage, Geo. Gee, bearing 8% interest	2,500.00
	<u>\$9,500.00</u>
War Bonds, bearing 5% interest	\$ 6,222.71
War Bonds, bearing 5½% interest	28,896.07
	<u>\$35,118.78</u>
Current Account:	
Loan, Mrs. Elizabeth Whitlock	300.00
	<u>\$44,918.78</u>

INTEREST ACCOUNT

As at January 31st, 1920.

	Amount	Accrued Interest	Taxes (1919)
Mortgage			
J. T. Macdonald	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 815.03	\$ 497.47
J. T. Macdonald	4,000.00	1,197.85	524.37
Geo. Gee	2,500.00	393.75	
War Bonds	35,118.78	513.30	
		<u>\$2,919.93</u>	<u>\$1,021.84</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

May 30th, 1920

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

I have to report that I have audited the financial records of the Grand Secretary for the year ending 31st January, 1920, and beg to submit herewith the following statements:—

Combined Balance Sheet of the General and Benevolent
Funds as at 31st January, 1920.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements in abstract form for the year.

Operating Account for the fiscal year.

I have to report that all my requirements as Auditor have been complied with, and that full and sufficient vouchers have been furnished me covering all payments. The books are neatly and accurately kept, and in accordance with the principles of accounting.

The several Bank Accounts have been reconciled and found to be correct. I have examined the securities held by the Benevolent Fund, and report same to be in a very satisfactory condition.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. IRELAND,

Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1920

ASSETS

GENERAL FUND:	
Cash in Bank of Nova Scotia	\$1,982.01
Sundry Balances due from Lodges	1,322.02
Sundry Loans	300.00
Books, Stationery and Supplies on Hand	4,021.79
Office Furniture and Fixtures	1,104.25
Regalia	225.00
	<u>8,955.07</u>
BENEVOLENT FUND:	
Balance in Savings Account, Bank of Nova Scotia—Capital Fund	\$1,043.94
Balance in Savings Account, Bank of Nova Scotia—Relief Fund	371.20
Loan to General Fund	2,600.00
Dominion Government of Canada War Bonds (cost)	35,118.78
Mortgage Receivable	9,500.00
Accrued Interest and Taxes	3,941.77
	<u>\$ 52,575.78</u>
	<u>\$ 61,530.85</u>

Calgary, May 30th, 1920.

I hereby certify that I have audited the books of the Grand Lodge of Alberta for the fiscal year ending 31st January, 1920, and that all my requirements as Auditor have been complied with. I further certify that in my opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to show the true and correct financial positions of Grand Lodge as at the above date.

WM. IRELAND,
Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

LIABILITIES

GENERAL FUND:	
Sundry Creditors:	
Canada Lodge Hospital Fund	\$ 195.00
Balances due Lodges	132.00
Loan from Benevolent Fund	2,000.00
Surplus Account:	
Balance 1st Feb., 1919	\$6,183.41
Less Deficiency as per Operating Account	155.34
	<u>6,028.07</u>
	<u>\$ 8,955.07</u>
BENEVOLENT FUND, CAPITAL ACCOUNT:	
Balance as at 1st Feb., 1919	\$ 33,599.17
Donations received during year	16,720.61
Interest on Investments	2,247.00
	<u>\$ 52,575.78</u>
	<u>\$ 61,530.85</u>

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A. F. & A. M. **STATEMENTS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS GENERAL FUND**

From February 1st, 1919, to January 31st, 1920.

RECEIPTS

To Receipts from Lodges distributed as follows :	
Fees, Dues and Semi-Annual Returns...	\$8,141.20
Dispensations	383.00
Fines	100.00
Stock, Books, Supplies, etc.	3,307.57
Exchange	16.15
Charter Fees	115.00
To Sale of War Bonds to Benevolent Fund.....	\$12,062.92
" Interest on War Bonds	1,722.71
" Repayment of Loan from Hillcrest Relief Fund..	127.37
" Loan from Benevolent Fund	150.00
	2,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS

By Overdraft Bank of Nova Scotia, February 1st, 1919	\$ 1,223.47
" Books and Supplies	\$3,431.17
" Benevolent Grants	3,207.64
" Salaries	3,061.00
" Expenses	1,091.15
" Printing	1,028.15
" Regalia	544.80
" Office Rent	396.00
" Insurance	125.78
" Postage and Express	216.41
" Telephones and Telegrams	73.72
" Fixtures	51.65
" Interest on Overdraft	123.10
" Exchange on Cheques	46.95
	13,457.52
	1,982.01
	\$16,663.00

By Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia

\$16,663.00

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.
OPERATING ACCOUNT

For 12 months ending 31st January, 1920.

By Dues, Fees and Semi-Annual Returns	\$8,189.00	
" Sales of Books and Lodge Supplies	3,112.38	
" Charter Fees	80.00	
" Dispensations	426.00	
" Fines	95.00	
" Interest on Victory Bonds	89.91	
" Exchange	46.20	
Gross Revenue.....	\$12,038.49	
To Cost of Lodge Supplies sold	\$2,631.78	
" Salaries	\$3,061.00	
" General Expenses	1,091.15	
" Printing	1,028.15	
" Office Rent	396.00	
" Postage and Express	216.41	
" Telephones and Telegrams	73.72	
" Insurance	125.78	
" Interest on Overdraft	123.10	
" Exchange	46.95	
" Benevolent Grants	6,162.26	
" Depreciation Furniture and Fixtures.....	3,267.64	
" Depreciation Regalia	107.15	
	25.00	
	\$12,193.83	
" Deficiency, excess of Expenditure over Revenue....		155.34
	\$12,193.83	\$12,193.83

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS GENERAL FUND

From 1st February to 31st May, 1920.

RECEIPTS

To Cash in Bank, February 1st, 1920.....	\$1,982.01
" Receipts from Lodges for Dues, Fees and Supplies	1,990.50
" Overdraft, Bank of Nova Scotia	359.09
	\$4,331.60

DISBURSEMENTS

By Books and Supplies	\$ 743.30
" Benevolent and Grants	1,353.85
" Salaries	1,100.00
" Expenses	286.40
" Printing	162.30
" Regalia	165.60
" Office Rent	99.00
" Insurance	246.80
" Postage and Express	77.60
" Telephone and Telegrams	29.90
" Fixtures	52.85
" Interest and Exchange	14.00
	\$4,331.60

Calgary, June 2nd, 1920.

I hereby certify the above statement of Receipts and Disbursements to be true and correct and in accordance with the vouchers submitted.

WM. IRELAND,

Chartered Accountants,

Auditor.

RELIEF FUND

Feb 1st, 1920—Balance in Bank	\$ 371.29
Deposits	890.81
May 31st, 1920—Cash in Savings	\$1,262.10

BENEVOLENT FUND

Feb. 1st, 1920—Balance in Bank	\$1,043.94
Deposits	7,541.55
	\$8,585.49
<i>Less:</i>	
Invested in Provincial Bonds	\$4,208.06
J. T. Macdonald, Insurance	230.20
	\$ 4,438.26
May 31st, 1920—Cash in Savings	\$ 4,147.23

Certified correct,

WM. IRELAND,

Chartered Accountant,

Auditor.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers (10), "That the report of the Grand Secretary, excepting that of the Financial Statement, be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report and the Financial Statement including the Auditor's Report, be referred to the Committee on Finance."

MASONIC BENEVOLENT FUND

OBJECTIVE \$50,000.00, OR \$6.00 PER MEMBER

The following amounts were contributed to this Fund from its formation on May 26th, 1915, to June 20th, 1920:

No.	NAME	LOCATION	MEMBERSHIP	AMOUNT	BALANCE
			JUNE 27, '19	CONTRIB'D	
1.	Bow River	Calgary	285	\$ 500.00	\$1,210.00
2.	Medicine Hat ...	Medicine Hat	193	1,158.00	—
3.	Alberta	Macleod	92	322.62	229.38
4.	North Star	Lethbridge	233	1,398.00	—
5.	Cascade	Banff	132	750.00	42.00
6.	Spitzie	Pincher Creek	82	334.00	158.00
7.	Edmonton	Edmonton	282	1,160.51	531.49
8.	Innisfail	Innisfail	73	438.50	—
9.	Perfection	Calgary	378	1,552.60	715.40
10.	Eureka	Lacombe	112	672.25	—
11.	Acacia	Edmonton	176	641.00	415.00
12.	Red Deer	Red Deer	122	762.00	—
13.	Victoria ...	Fort Saskatchewan	66	34.00	362.00
14.	Jasper	Edmonton	183	1,358.00	—
15.	Wetaskiwin	Wetaskiwin	79	482.95	—
16.	Mountain View	Olds	49	227.25	66.75
17.	Nanton	Nanton	85	734.00	—
18.	Britannia	Ponoka	50	300.00	—
19.	Cornerstone	High River	158	1,024.75	—
20.	Carstairs	Carstairs	37	35.00	187.00
21.	King Hiram	Didsbury	67	324.00	78.00
22.	Corinthian	Okotoks	62	400.00	—
23.	Calgary	Calgary	221	674.39	651.61
24.	Vermilion	Vermilion	84	75.00	429.00
25.	St. John's	Vegreville	83	311.75	186.25
26.	Sentinel	Hillcrest	78	468.00	—
27.	Apollo	Stettler	107	350.00	292.00
28.	Ashlar	Calgary	204	1,383.48	—
29.	Kenilworth	Red Deer	95	570.00	—
30.	Summit	Coleman	48	288.25	—
31.	Doric	Taber	73	438.00	—
32.	Cairo	Claresholm	60	95.65	264.35
33.	Stavely	Stavely	72	432.00	—
34.	Star of the West	Leduc	48	288.00	—
35.	Mizpah	Medicine Hat	130	780.00	—
36.	Gleichen	Gleichen	79	474.00	—
37.	Camrose	Camrose	58	772.00	—
38.	Hope	Mannville	49	25.00	269.00
39.	Lethbridge	Lethbridge	121	726.00	—
40.	Joppa	Gratum	37	302.00	—
41.	King Solomon	Cochrane	30	150.10	29.90
42.	Bowden	Bowden	29	74.75	99.25
43.	Tuscan	Killam	54	162.00	162.00
44.	Buffalo Park	Wainwright	67	40.00	362.00
45.	Ionic	Alix	55	312.00	18.00
46.	Palestine	Tofield	40	317.30	—
47.	Chinook	Cowley	36	216.00	—
48.	Crossfield	Crossfield	55	330.00	—

No.	NAME	LOCATION	MEMBERSHIP		AMOUNT	
			JUNE 27, '19		CONTRIB'D	BALANCE
49.	Robert Burns	Carmangay	54	424.00	—	—
50.	Comet	Hardisty	30	105.00	75.00	—
51.	Unity	Edmonton	309	1,359.00	495.00	—
52.	Langdon	Langdon	33	—	198.00	—
53.	Strathmore	Strathmore	81	500.00	—	—
54.	Mount Lebanon	Calgary	201	155.00	1,051.00	—
55.	Bassano	Bassano	64	384.00	—	—
56.	Beaver	Castor	55	500.00	—	—
57.	Grassy Lake	Grassy Lake	31	113.50	72.50	—
58.	Chief Mountain	Cardston	32	192.00	—	—
59.	King George	Calgary	147	882.00	—	—
60.	Acme	Acme	56	172.00	164.00	—
61.	Provost	Provost	67	243.73	158.27	—
62.	Coal	Bawlf	19	64.40	49.60	—
63.	Empire	Edmonton	104	624.00	—	—
64.	Bow Island	Bow Island	71	145.90	280.10	—
65.	Diamond City	Diamond City	35	210.00	—	—
66.	St. Andrew's	Trochu	42	—	252.00	—
67.	Charity	Lethbridge	50	303.20	—	—
68.	Edson	Edson	69	264.50	149.50	—
69.	Connaught	Viking	45	151.00	119.00	—
70.	Quarry	Redcliffe	51	306.00	—	—
71.	Tawatinaw	Athabasca	36	118.00	98.00	—
72.	Coronation	Coronation	65	354.00	36.00	—
73.	Brooks	Brooks	74	338.40	105.60	—
74.	Vulcan	Vulcan	57	360.00	—	—
75.	Harmony	Sedgewick	36	220.00	—	—
76.	Fidelity	Bashaw	61	256.00	110.00	—
77.	Strathcona	Edmonton	178	791.35	276.65	—
78.	Hanna	Hanna	68	408.00	—	—
79.	Morning Star	Lougheed	31	185.00	1.00	—
80.	Excelsior	Strome	40	269.83	—	—
81.	Commercial	Edmonton	127	863.00	—	—
82.	Acadia	Youngstown	65	390.75	—	—
83.	Zetland	Calgary	179	1,174.25	—	—
84.	Champion	Champion	44	264.00	—	—
85.	Suffield	Suffield	37	85.00	137.00	—
86.	Rocky Mountain	Blairmore	40	129.00	111.00	—
87.	Crescent	Calgary	120	150.00	570.00	—
88.	Wahpun	Grouard	32	192.00	—	—
89.	Peace River	Peace River	54	109.00	215.00	—
90.	Norwood	Edmonton	68	321.00	87.00	—
91.	Patricia	Edmonton	331	2,095.58	—	—
92.	Saskatchewan	Edmonton	46	96.50	179.50	—
93.	Symbol	Drumheller	67	413.50	—	—
94.	Lamont	Lamont	27	74.25	87.75	—
95.	Kitchener	Rimbey	22	132.00	—	—
96.	Dynamic	Holden	33	55.00	143.00	—
97.	Albion	Chauvin	18	212.00	—	—
98.	Hand Hill	Delia	37	222.80	—	—
99.	Mount Moriah	Sibbald	17	102.00	—	—
100.	Warner	Warner	32	192.00	—	—
101.	West Edmonton	Edmonton	48	150.00	138.00	—
102.	Edgerton	Edgerton	28	168.00	—	—

No.	NAME	LOCATION	MEMBERSHIP	AMOUNT	
			JUNE 27, '19	CONTRIB'D	BALANCE
103.	Foremost	Foremost.....	21	—	126.00
104.	Oyen	Oyen.....	35	—	210.00
105.	Grande Prairie	Grande Prairie.....	33	200.00	—
106.	Lake Saskatoon... ..	L. Saskatoon.....	33	149.25	48.75
107.	Carbon	Carbon.....	25	397.30	—
108.	Pyramid	Lomond.....	22	122.16	9.84
109.	Ancient Landmark	Mirror.....	—	102.00	—
110.	Kilwinning	Minburn.....	—	33.00	—

BENEFICIARIES OF GRAND LODGE

1. Mr. and Mrs. J.—An aged couple, both about eighty years of age. Living in a two-roomed shack. \$10.00 per month.
2. Mrs. C. S.—An aged widow of a Mason. No income from any source. \$10.00 per month.
3. Mrs. A. B.—Widow of a Mason. Husband died after long illness. Two young children. Grant, \$200.00.
4. Bro. H. F. B.—Sent to Mayo Bros. Hospital in Rochester, U.S.A., for treatment for cancer. Grant, \$200.00.
5. Two children of late Bro. J. G.—Father killed at front. Mother died of influenza. \$10.00 per month.
6. Mrs. W.—Widow of late brother. \$20.00 per month.
7. Mrs. L. H. D.—Gas accounts, \$95.90.
8. Mrs. C. and family—Last claimant upon Hillcrest Relief Fund of Grand Lodge. Five children, the eldest 13 years of age. Grant, \$160.00.
9. Bro. J. B.—Very ill with tuberculosis, now in hospital at Kamloops. Grant, \$50.00 per month.
10. Bro. R. A. M.—Died after continued illness. Grant, \$180.00.
11. Mrs. H. M.—Daughter of a Mason. Husband deserted her about ten years ago. Has three children of school age. No source of income. Grant, \$20.00 per month.
12. Mrs. E. C. W.—Widow of late Brother W. Has three children under eight years of age. \$25.00 per month.
13. Mrs. McC.—Widow with two small children. Grant, \$15.00 per month. Rent paid for past year, \$153.00. Groceries for past year, \$184.16.
14. Bro. W.—Grant towards sick and funeral expenses, \$87.50.
15. Mrs. L.—Husband undergoing treatment in hospital. Grant, \$50.
16. Mrs. J. S.—Widow with one small child. \$25.00 per month.

With two or three exceptions Lodges have, in each case, contributed a similar amount to that granted by Grand Lodge. Advantage has been taken, where practicable, of the Mothers' Pension Fund.



REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:

As Grand Librarian of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, I desire to present herewith the Fifteenth Annual Report. During the year the following additions have been made to the Grand Lodge Library:

Cloth Bound Proceedings Donated:

Connecticut, 1919.
Georgia, 1919.
Illinois, 1919.
Iowa, 1919.
Kentucky, 1919.
New Zealand, 1919.
New York, 1919.
Ohio, 1919.
Oklahoma, 1919.
Tennessee, 1919.
Texas, 1919.
Vermont, 1919.
West Virginia, 1919.

Copies of Proceedings of all recognized Lodges.

Publications Donated:

The Masonic Chronicler.
The American Freemason.
The Builder.
The Masonic Sun.
The Freemason.

THANKS

Several valuable books have been donated to our Masonic Library by a number of brethren. We desire to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation of these additions to our Library.

BOOKS PURCHASED

The following books have been purchased during the past year:

Things a Freemason Should Know, by F. J. W. Crowe.
Mysteries of Freemasonry, by John Fellows.
The Perfect Ashlar, by J. T. Lawrence.
Masonic Trials, by H. M. Lock.
Symbolism of Freemasonry, by A. G. Mackey.
Guild Masonry, by C. H. Merz.
Lectures on the Philosophy of Freemasonry, by Roscoe Pound.
Way of Initiation, by Rodolf Steiner.
Ancient Mysteries and Modern Masonry, by C. H. Vail.
Freemasonry Before the Existence of Grand Lodges, by Lionel Vibert.

Your Librarian has found it very difficult to obtain additional authentic Masonic publications for our library and will appreciate it if any of the brethren who know of suitable Masonic works will report the name and author of such.

CIRCULATING LIBRARY

We are able to report that our Circulating Travelling Library sets have been in constant use by the lodges throughout the year. In several cases, however, lodges do not return their sets within the sixty day limit and on that account we were unable to supply a number of lodges which made application for the same. We have thus been unable to supply ten lodges who requested, some time ago, for the use of a set. We trust that the Secretaries of lodges will be more prompt in this regard in the future and hope during the year to add a number of additional sets to our Circulating Library. Your Grand Librarian would recommend to the brethren of the various lodges the advisability of establishing, in their lodge, a nucleus of a Masonic Library in which should be found the proceedings of Grand Lodge since its formation. He would also recommend that one or more books of exceptional merit be purchased for their own use so that in time the Grand Lodge Library will become supplementary to that of the Lodge Library.

LIBRARY ROOM

This room is open every day throughout the year for the use of the brethren and it is desired that the widest possible use be made of the same.

Fraternally submitted,

S. Y. TAYLOR,
Grand Librarian.

Resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. Jno. Gillespie (1), seconded by W. Bro. William Ireland (9), "That the report of the Grand Librarian be received and referred to the committee on the Grand Lodge Library."

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

Banff, June 9th, 1920.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

The Board of General Purposes desires to report that on June 11th, 1919, at the City of Calgary a meeting was held at which the appointment of members of the various sub-committees was made for the ensuing year.

A special meeting of the Board of General Purposes was held in the office of the Grand Secretary on Thursday, Sept. 18th, 1919. Upon request the Grand Secretary explained that the principal object of the meeting was to consider the re-adjustment of the funds of Grand Lodge. He pointed out that at our last annual communication no provision had been made for immediate demands upon the Relief Fund of Grand Lodge.

It was resolved on motion of M. W. Bro. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. D. H. Galbraith (74), "That the sum of \$2600.00 cash now in the Capital Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge be loaned to Current Account, to be refunded as soon as possible with interest at 6% per annum, and that all Relief Fund expenditures be passed through the Current Account until such time as the total amounts loaned be returned to their proper accounts."

It was resolved on motion of M. W. Bro. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. F. Cranna (10), "That the Grand Secretary be authorized to continue the engagement of a stenographer in order that he may devote more time to the general work of Grand Lodge."

The Board again met in the town of Banff on June 8th, 1920, when all matters for consideration were distributed to the proper sub-committees and will appear in the reports presented by them.

It was resolved on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), "That we recommend that the matter of recognition of the Grand Orient of France be laid on the table.

It was resolved on motion of M. W. Bro. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. E. N. Barker (58), "That W. Bro. William Ireland, Chartered Accountant, be appointed auditor for the ensuing year and that his remuneration for the past year be \$150.00.

It was resolved on motion of M. W. Bro. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), That the Grand Secretary be authorized to retain the services of a stenographer throughout the year.

It was resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. Jno. Gillespie (1) seconded by R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey, (83), That the Grand Secretary be authorized to have 1,200 copies of the proceedings for 1920, printed and distributed.

It was resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), seconded by R. W. Bro. Galbraith (74), That the Grand Secretary be authorized to procure photos of two Past Grand Masters each year and have the same enlarged and framed.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. W. S. KEMMIS,

Chairman.

Resolved on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), "That clause one of the report of the Board of General Purposes referring to the matter of recognition of the Grand Orient of France be considered under the order of unfinished business and that the report excepting this clause be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

Banff, June 9th, 1920.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals beg to report as follows:

There were three matters referred to this Committee.

The first was an appeal from Grande Prairie Lodge No. 105 for a refund of a fine of Five Dollars for delay in forwarding semi-annual returns. Your Committee recommend that the fine be remitted, the delay being due to the mail service rather than any fault of the Secretary.

The second was an appeal from Bro. Herbert L. Reid, from the decision of the Commission in the matter of charges and specifications preferred in North Star Lodge No. 4, A.F. & A.M., for un-Masonic conduct.

Your Committee has examined all the papers forwarded to the Grand Secretary by the Chairman of the Commission in connection with the trial, and have heard Bro. R. R. Davidson who appeared as counsel for Bro. Herbert L. Reid, and recommend to Grand Lodge that the appeal of Bro. Herbert L. Reid be dismissed and that the sentence imposed on Bro. Reid be confirmed, and that Bro. Herbert L. Reid be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Free Masonry.

The third is a report from the Commission on the matter of charges and specifications preferred in Zetland Lodge No. 83, A.F. & A.M., against Bro. Joseph H. Argue.

Your Committee has examined all the papers forwarded to the Grand Secretary, by the Chairman of the Commission in connection with the trial, and confirms the recommendation of the Commission that R. W. Bro. Joseph H. Argue be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Free Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

M. M. DOWNEY,
J. N. RANKIN,
J. WATSON YOUNGE,
J. ELLIOTT,
GEO. MURRAY,
D. H. GALBRAITH,
FREDERICK S. SELWOOD,
JOHN GILLESPIE.

Resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), seconded by R. W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), "That the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be received and considered clause by clause."

'Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers (10), "That clause one of the report be adopted."

The charges preferred against Bro. Herbert L. Reid, together with the evidence and finding of the Commission were read by the Grand Secretary, and Bro. R. R. Davidson was again heard on behalf of Bro. Reid.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Arthur Hayr (39), seconded by W. Bro. H. R. Chauncey (28), "That sentence of Commission on Bro. H. L. Reid be commuted to suspension for three years." The motion was lost.

Resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), seconded by R. W. Bro. Geo. Murray (2), "That Clause two of the report be adopted"

It was moved by W. Bro. V. A. Bowes (83), seconded by W. Bro. J. H. McNeill (83), "That the sentence of expulsion of R. W. Bro. Joseph H. Argue, recommended by the Commission and confirmed by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be changed to that of indefinite suspension." The motion was lost.

Resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. John Gillespie (1), seconded by R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), "That clause three of the report be adopted."

Resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), seconded by R. W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), "That the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be adopted, and that the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals as it appears on pages 84 and 85 of the printed proceedings for the year 1919, be re-confirmed."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

Your Committee have considered the reports and returns of the District Deputy Grand Masters of the several districts and find that very general prosperity prevails throughout the jurisdiction. Masonically speaking, the lodges appear strong financially, and active in their work. It is noted that a number of lodges still carry a large amount of arrears on their books, and eighteen lodges have neglected to insure their property, as against five last year. Your Committee would impress upon the incoming District Deputy Grand Masters the necessity of bringing this very necessary precaution to the attention of the Worshipful Masters of their district, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to notify these lodges to insure.

District Deputy Grand Masters reports from all the fourteen districts have come to hand with commendable promptness. In this connection several District Deputy Grand Masters complain that the Secretaries are lax in replying to letters, and sending in their reports. In some cases four and five letters were written before a single reply was received. Amounts paid for Relief shown in the Statistical Report indicate that some confusion exists in the minds of Secretaries as to the amounts sent in for Benevolent Fund and amounts given directly by their lodge for Relief. Your Committee suggests that a column be set aside in these returns for contributions to the Benevolent Fund. It is a matter for congratulation that in spite of adverse conditions in a large portion of the Province the members of the Craft have brought this Fund almost up to the objective aimed at. The average attendance of the lodges shows a marked increase, being 8% over that of last year.

Only seven lodges were not visited by District Deputy Grand Masters during the year as compared with twenty-four last year. Something very creditable to the zeal and energy of the District Deputy Grand Masters who were charged with this duty. Eleven lodges we find own their premises. It may be noted that these lodges show a strong financial statement.

During the year fourteen Lodges of Instruction were held in thirteen districts. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary attended all of them and in every case successful meetings were reported, an active interest was shown by the enthusiasm evinced by the brethren. In nearly every district date and place was set for a Lodge of Instruction for the coming year.

Some of the reports make recommendations which are worthy of attention. Nearly all concur in remarking that Historical Registers are not kept written up to date, hence valuable material relating to the early history of Masonry in this jurisdiction has been lost through this neglect. A note is made of the habit of signing the Tyler's Register in pencil; this does not make a permanent record and should not be practised. It is also suggested that questions and addresses on Masonic matters be given more prominence in Lodges of Instruction and at regular meetings, indicating a desire on the part of the members for information and light that should tend to larger and better meetings being held.

Coal Lodge, No. 62, at Bawlf: The Worshipful Master and Treasurer of this lodge appeared before the Committee and stated that this lodge was now in better shape both as to members and finances. They could not only clear off their indebtedness but could probably give their full quota to the Benevolent Fund. R. W. Bro. Ross of District No. 5 recom-

mends that the brethren be permitted to carry on, in which your Committee concur.

As to Langdon Lodge, No. 52, at Langdon, your Committee regret very much that they must recommend the withdrawal of this Charter. The brethren are scattered, there is no meeting place, and apparently no officials. R.W. Bro. Nesbitt, District Deputy Grand Master, investigated and reports that there is no chance or sign of revival and recommends withdrawal.

In conclusion, your Committee heartily commend the District Deputy Grand Masters for their work last year, undertaken in many instances, at personal sacrifice, and have pleasure in recommending that Grand Lodge confer the rank of P.D.D.G.M. upon them as a well deserved honor.

Fraternally submitted,

J. KEMMIS,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), "That the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

Brothers:—

Your Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence submit the following:

Little or no information has been obtained relative to the "National Grand Lodge of Italy." We would recommend that recognition of this Grand Body be withheld for the present.

All information which has come to hand would lead us to conclude that we acted wisely in taking the step we did last year re the "International Bureau for Masonic affairs, of Neuchatel, Switzerland."

In the matter of the request for recognition of the Grand Orient of France. The request of this Grand Body was one of the first things received from you, M.W. Sir, when I assumed the duties of Chairman of this Committee. At the meeting in Edmonton in 1918 I recommended that it be referred to a Special Committee, which was done. This Committee made a lengthy report last year (1919). Their report was laid over or on the table for one year, i.e., until now. I am most anxious that we take no step in this matter until we can do so quite unanimously. We are a young Grand Lodge. We can afford to lay this matter on the table for one year, five years, or ten years, rather than create divisions.

We would recommend each representative of a Foreign Jurisdiction within our midst that he secure a copy of the minutes of that Grand Body's meetings—the same with our representatives abroad.

Fraternally submitted,

H. DARLING,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), "That clause one of the report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence be received and adopted."

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. Robt. Pearson (87), seconded by R.W. Bro. H. D. Galbraith (74), "That clause two, relating to the recognition of the Grand Orient of France by this Grand Body, be laid over for the present until the order of unfinished business be considered."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

We present herewith the usual financial statements which show the Grand Lodge to be in excellent financial standing and to have made marked progress during the past year.

The books and accounts of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer have been audited by a Chartered Accountant and all accounts paid have first been inspected and approved by your Committee.

Considerable special expenditure was necessary during the past year for the printing of the new Constitution and Ceremonials, also for the printing of the Annual Proceedings. Your Committee invited tenders for this work from four different firms in Calgary and Edmonton, and the contract was awarded to the lowest tenderer.

Our securities are all in Government Bonds with the exception of a mortgage of \$2,500 on a half section of land near Shepard, and two parcels of real estate in the City of Calgary, taken in satisfaction of a mortgage thereon. The revenue from the real estate by way of rentals at this date amounts to ten percent gross on the amount outstanding, and there are some prospects of increasing this revenue. The property is listed for sale and will be converted into cash as soon as possible.

Your Committee recommend that the balance of \$195.00 standing at the credit of Canada Lodge Hospital Fund on the books of Grand Lodge be transferred to the Benevolent Fund.

With reference to the Communication of Bro. J. C. Linton regarding the house on Lots 7 and 8, Block 16, Plan C., Calgary, now owned by this Grand Lodge, your Committee recommend that in view of all the circumstances this Grand Lodge is unable to grant him any relief, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to so advise him, reviewing the particulars of the case.

We wish to express our appreciation of the work of the Grand Secretary during the past year and recommend that his salary be increased to \$2,700.00 per annum, payable as heretofore.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. CONNACHER,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the report of the Committee on Audit and Finance be received and adopted."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Benevolence begs to report that all applications for Relief were carefully investigated and considered by your Committee, and grants to the amount of \$3,267.64 were made.

Every request made from any part of the Jurisdiction was granted either in whole or part.

In accordance with the resolution passed at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge all the special benevolent funds were consolidated, and we have at this date \$58,002.00 at the credit of the Benevolent Fund.

Your Committee recommend the following rules respecting Benevolent Grants:

RULES RESPECTING GRANTS FOR BENEVOLENCE

- (a) Grants made to a Brother or to the widow, orphans and dependents of a deceased Brother are to be considered as supplementary to the relief given by the Lodge recommending the application.
- (b) An application for relief must be made upon a printed form which will be furnished on request by the Grand Secretary. Applications shall be completed by the Master and Secretary of the Lodge with the seal of the Lodge affixed. The Lodge making an application for permanent relief shall pass a resolution to that effect in open lodge and attach a duly certified copy of the same to the application.
- (c) Applications for temporary relief may be made at any time by a lodge and will be immediately dealt with by the Committee on Benevolence, elected for that purpose; whereas any application for permanent relief must be dealt with by the Board of General Purposes who shall report to Grand Lodge at the next Annual Communication thereafter.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. CONNACHER.
J. H. W. S. KEMMIS.
W. J. BOTTERILL.
J. WATSON YOUNGE.
THOMAS SHARPE.
S. Y. TAYLOR.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by W. Bro. W. Ireland (9), "That the report of the Committee on Benevolence be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND NEW LODGES

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

We, your Committee on Charters and New Lodges, beg to report as follows:

We have carefully examined the books of Nobleford Lodge at Nobleford; Kilwinning Lodge at Minburn; and Ancient Landmark Lodge at Mirror, which are under Dispensation, and have found the same in good order.

We have also examined the books of Victory Lodge at Jarrow and find that on two occasions all members present did not sign the Tyler's Register, thus making it appear that balloting for membership without a quorum, according to Section 172 of the Constitution, was out of order. Otherwise the books of this lodge were in good order.

We recommend that Charters be issued to Nobleford Lodge at Nobleford; Kilwinning Lodge at Minburn; Ancient Landmark Lodge at Mirror, and Victory Lodge at Jarrow.

We have carefully examined the books of Cyprus Lodge at Three Hills, and recommend that this lodge continue to work under Dispensation until such time as the lodge can satisfy Grand Lodge that it is carrying out all the provisions of the Constitution.

We further recommend that Dispensation be continued to Crocus Lodge at Chinook, and Westlock Lodge at Westlock.

We also recommend that signatures of members and visitors in the Tyler's Register be always made in ink.

Fraternally submitted,

T. McNABB,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. T. McNabb (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. E. N. Barker (58), "That the report of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

The Grand Master's address is a fitting conclusion to a busy year of successful work. He is to be congratulated on his effort to inaugurate in each District an Annual Lodge of Instruction which will do much to render effective the work of the Craft in all its activities. We strongly commend to the consideration of Grand Lodge his recommendations in this regard, and also in respect to the necessity for additional plans for the expansion and growth of our Benevolent Fund until it reaches an amount commensurate with our standing and obligations. We feel that

the success which attended the efforts to raise the Fund to the objective desired was in no small measure due to the energy and perseverance of the Grand Master, who personally visited the Districts and by his addresses and presence kept the attention of the brethren focused on this question. We note his comments on the increase in our membership which although gratifying must at the same time remind us that it is the duty of every Mason to see that proper scrutiny of material offered is never neglected. Too often members of a lodge act as if their responsibility ceases when the Committee of Investigation is appointed and by waiting till the Committee comes to them before they will go to it. The future of the Craft depends on the character of the applicants of the present.

With his decisions we agree and are glad to observe that few requests for rulings or decisions were made, indicating more intimate acquaintance and consideration of the rules and regulations of the Craft. We note that a list of dispensations issued is not appended, but is to be found elsewhere. We would suggest that such list should always be included in the Grand Master's address.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. CONNACHER,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), "That the report of the Committee on the Grand Master's address be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on the report of the Grand Lodge Librarian beg leave to express their gratification at the progress which is being made in the collection of books for the Grand Lodge Library. With such books as can be secured added from year to year a very creditable and useful library is being established.

It is also gratifying to find that the Circulating Travelling Library Sets have been meeting a real need as shown by the demand for them which the Grand Librarian has not been able to supply. In view of the fact that the time for which these sets may be retained by any lodge is limited, your Committee would call especial attention to the recommendation of the Grand Librarian that the lodges take steps to establish libraries of their own and secure from time to time suitable books that might be always available for the use of the members.

Your Committee recommend that a grant of \$100.00 be made by Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodge Library.

Fraternally submitted,

J. REX BROWN, Chairman.

W. FRANTZEN.

Resolved, on motion of W. Bro. Walter Frantzen (17), seconded by R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott (2), "That the report of the Committee on the Grand Lodge Library be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Fraternal Dead beg leave to submit the following report:

"One by one our brothers cross the bar," and our lodges are the poorer for the passing. It is our custom to record the names of our departed brethren, and this custom is good, for it not only impresses us with a deep sense of our loss, but it is a forcible reminder that sooner or later we, too, must pass this way. "There is no man that hath power over the Spirit to retain the Spirit, neither hath he power in the day of death; and there is no discharge in that war." As Masons we deeply cherish the blessed hope of immortality and this connection has a steady and comforting influence in the time of our bereavement.

We deeply sympathize with our Sister Jurisdictions in the loss during the year, of seventeen Grand Lodge Officers. Most of them were full of years and honors, and they leave behind in the hearts of their brethren a memory fragrant with the perfume of charitable and unselfish lives. "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

In our own Grand Lodge there were fifty-two deaths reported from forty-eight lodges during the year; old and young are among the missing. There is no favoritism with death. It comes ever unbidden, leaving sorrow and desolation in its train. To the bereaved friends we extend our profound sympathy and pray that they may know the Father's sustaining comfort and consolation.

It will have a sad interest to know that out of the fifty-two dead reported last year, nine gave their lives for King and Country, in the recent great war.

"To us from falling hands the torch they throw
Be ours to lift it high."

Let us not break faith with those who died but let us see to it that the principles for which they fought and fell are enthroned in us and in our land. A nobler way of living is the demand of the lives laid down on our behalf.

May the memory of our Fraternal Dead stir within us worthy thoughts and nobler inspirations so that when we pass from the earthly lodge we may enter with them into the higher fellowship beyond.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that, as in the past, memorial pages in the Proceedings of Grand Lodge be dedicated to our departed brethren and those of Sister Jurisdictions.

Fraternally submitted,

A. H. DENOON,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. John Gillespie (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. S. Estey (9), "That the report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead be received and adopted."

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 6.00 o'clock p.m.

Second Day = Morning Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 9.20 o'clock a.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

Banff, June 9th, 1920

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

We, your Committee, on the report of the Grand Secretary, beg to submit the following:

We find that this report is a clear, definite, yet a concise statement of his work, and the Grand Secretary is to be congratulated on the care, attention and exactness of the same.

We note with pleasure the progress both as to membership and financial condition of the Grand Lodge during the past year.

We note that Charters were issued to two lodges working under dispensation, and that six new lodges were instituted, and that certificates of Incorporation were issued to three lodges.

Your Committee would recommend that all lodges not yet incorporated take the necessary steps to do so.

Regarding Lodges of Instruction, fourteen have been held during the year, and your Committee heartily endorse the sentiments expressed by the Grand Secretary and trust that Lodges of Instruction will be held in every Masonic District during the ensuing year.

We note with pleasure the hearty response given to the Benevolent Fund, and we would recommend that plans be formulated for the continuance of an aggressive campaign for this most worthy cause.

Fraternally submitted,

N. E. CARRUTHERS
GEO. MURRAY

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers (10), seconded by R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray (2), "That the report of the Committee on the Grand Secretary's report be received and adopted."

MOTIONS

Resolved, on motion of W. Bro. Henry Sandilands (14), seconded by W. Bro. R. English (63), "That this Grand Lodge do not enter into fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France."

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), "That the Grand Tyler be paid \$15.00 and expenses for each of the Communications held during the years 1919 and 1920."

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the matter of increasing the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge be referred to the Committee on Benevolence and the officers of Grand Lodge, to devise and put into effect ways and means to increase this Fund to the sum of \$75,000.00 before the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge."

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), seconded by W. Bro. Walter Frantzen (17), "That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the officers and members of Cascade Lodge for the generous hospitality to Grand Lodge at this Communication."

Resolved, on motion of W. Bro. S. Houlton (28), seconded by W. Bro. A. W. Strathern (28), "That this Grand Lodge respectfully request the Provincial Government to take such steps as may be necessary to provide proper accommodation and protection to the mentally and physically defective of this province, at the earliest possible moment."

It was moved by W. Bro. G. H. Gowan (91), seconded by W. Bro. R. English (63), "That whereas, the borrowing powers of subordinate lodges incorporated under the Provincial Statutes allow the mortgaging of property and may be understood to imply borrowing by the issuance of bonds, debentures or shares in order to remove any doubt as to the validity of such issue; Be it resolved, that the Board of General Purposes be empowered to secure such statutory amendments as may be necessary to secure such powers."

The motion was carried.

GRAND LODGE REPRESENTATIVES

The representatives of Sister Grand Lodges present were duly received and welcomed by the M.W. the Grand Master and fraternal greetings exchanged.

PLACE OF MEETING

The Town of Banff and the Cities of Lethbridge and Edmonton were submitted as the place of meeting for our next Annual Communication. Upon a ballot being taken, Banff was declared to be the choice of Grand Lodge.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The time having arrived for the election of officers, the M.W. the Grand Master appointed M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, R.W. Bro. D. H. Calbraith and W. Bro. R. English, a Board of Scrutineers.

The Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RECEPTION

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.:

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Credentials and Reception beg to report that the various Lodges named in the attached schedule are entitled to the representation in Grand Lodge therein enumerated opposite their respective numbers and names.

We find:—

1. That there are 27 Lodges represented by Proxy; and 20 not represented.
2. That the number of regular votes is 359.

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Pr'xy	Total Votes
1	Bow River	..	..	..	6	3	9
2	Medicine Hat	..	..	..	2	3	5
3	Alberta	..	..	..	1	..	1
4	North Star	3	..	..	3	..	6
5	Cascade	..	..	..	4	..	4
6	Spitzie	..	..	..	2	3	5
7	Edmonton	3	..	..	..	..	3
8	Innisfail	..	..	..	1	3	4
9	Perfection	3	..	..	3	..	6
10	Eureka	..	..	..	2	3	5
11	Acacia	..	3	..	..	..	3
12	Red Deer	..	..	..	1	3	4
13	Victoria	..	..	..	1	3	4
14	Jasper	3	..	..	1	..	4
15	Wetaskiwin	3	..	..	..	..	3
16	Mountain View	..	..	3	..	..	3
17	Nanton	3	..	..	1	..	4
18	Britannia	..	..	..	..	..	..
19	Cornerstone	3	..	..	1	..	4
20	Carstairs	..	..	3	..	..	3
21	King Hiram	3	..	..	..	..	3
22	Corinthian	..	3	..	..	..	3
23	Calgary	..	3	..	2	..	5
24	Vermilion	..	..	..	1	3	4
25	St. John's	..	..	..	1	3	4
26	Sentinel	..	..	..	1	3	4
27	Apollo	3	..	..	..	..	3
28	Ashlar	..	..	..	6	3	9
29	Kenilworth	..	3	..	1	..	4
30	Summit	..	..	3	..	..	3
31	Doric	..	3	..	..	..	3
32	Cairo	..	..	..	..	..	..
33	Stavely	3	..	..	..	..	3
34	Star of the West.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
35	Mizpah	2	1	..	..	..	3

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Pr'xy	Total Votes
36	Gleichen	..	..	..	2	3	5
37	Camrose	..	..	..	1	3	4
38	Hope	..	..	..	1	3	4
39	Lethbridge	3	..	..	3	..	6
40	Joppa	..	..	..	1	3	4
41	King Solomon	..	3	..	1	..	4
42	Bowden	..	..	3	2	..	5
43	Tuscan	..	..	..	..	..	..
44	Buffalo Park	..	..	..	..	..	..
45	Ionic	..	..	..	..	..	..
46	Palestine	..	..	3	..	..	3
47	Chinook	..	..	..	1	3	4
48	Crossfield	..	..	..	..	..	..
49	Robert Burns	..	..	..	..	..	..
50	Comet	..	..	..	1	..	1
51	Unity	3	..	..	..	..	3
52	Langdon	..	..	..	..	..	..
53	Strathmore	..	..	..	..	..	..
54	Mount Lebanon	3	..	..	1	..	4
55	Bassano	1	1	1	3	..	6
56	Beaver	..	..	..	..	..	..
57	Grassy Lake	..	3	..	..	..	3
58	Chief Mountain	..	..	..	1	3	4
59	King George	2	..	1	2	..	5
60	Acme	3	..	..	1	..	4
61	Provost	3	..	..	1	..	4
62	Coal	3	..	..	1	..	4
63	Empire	3	..	..	2	..	5
64	Bow Island	..	..	..	1	3	4
65	Diamond City	..	..	..	1	3	4
66	St. Andrew's	..	..	..	1	3	4
67	Charity	3	..	..	1	..	4
68	Edson	..	..	..	1	3	4
69	Connaught	..	..	..	1	3	4
70	Quarry	3	..	..	..	..	3
71	Tawatinaw	..	..	..	..	..	..
72	Coronation	3	..	..	..	..	3
73	Brooks	..	..	..	1	3	4
74	Vulcan	3	..	..	2	..	5
75	Harmony	3	..	..	3	..	6
76	Fidelity	..	..	..	3	3	6
77	Strathcona	3	..	..	..	..	3
78	Hanna	3	..	..	..	..	3
79	Morning Star	3	..	..	..	..	3
80	Excelsior	3	..	..	1	..	4
81	Commercial	3	..	..	1	..	4
82	Acadia	3	..	..	2	..	5
83	Zetland	..	3	..	4	..	7
84	Champion	3	..	..	..	..	3
85	Suffield	3	..	..	..	..	3
86	Rocky Mountain	..	..	..	..	..	..
87	Crescent	1	1	1	2	..	5
88	Wahpun	..	3	..	2	..	5
89	Peace River	..	..	..	..	3	3

No.	Name of Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Pr'xy	Total Votes
90	Norwood	..	3	..	..	..	3
91	Patricia	1	1	1	1	..	4
92	Saskatchewan	3	..	..	..	..	3
93	Symbol	..	3	..	1	..	4
94	Lamont	..	..	..	..	..	..
95	Kitchener	3	..	..	..	..	3
96	Dynamic	3	..	..	..	..	3
97	Albion	..	..	..	..	..	..
98	Hand Hill	..	..	..	2	3	5
99	Mount Moriah	..	..	..	..	..	..
100	Warner	..	..	..	..	..	..
101	West Edmonton	3	..	..	..	..	3
102	Edgerton	..	..	..	..	..	..
103	Foremost	..	..	..	1	..	1
104	Oyen	..	..	..	..	..	..
105	Grande Prairie	..	..	..	1	..	1
106	Lake Saskatoon	3	..	..	..	..	3
107	Carbon	3	..	..	..	..	3
108	Pyramid	..	..	..	..	..	..
U.D.	Ancient Landmark	2	..	1	..	..	3
U.D.	Nobleford	..	..	..	..	..	..
U.D.	Kilwinning	3	..	..	..	..	3
Total							359

Signed by—

A. S. ESTEY, Chairman.
 J. ELLIOTT,
 E. N. BARKER,
 V. C. W. STANLEY,
 S. M. SNEDDEN,
 C. J. LAKEY,
 ALEX. T. ROSS,
 W. F. CRANNA,
 D. H. CAMPBELL,

Committee.

Resolved on motion of R.W. Bro. A. S. Estey (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Elliott (2): "That the report of the Committee on Credentials and Reception be received and adopted."

The election of Grand Lodge officers was then proceeded with and the results were as follows:

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS, 1920

M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), Cowley	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), Camrose	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), Calgary	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray (2), Medicine Hat	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe (23), Calgary	Grand Treasurer
M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Calgary	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. John E. Johnson (83), Calgary	Grand Registrar
R.W. Bro. A. H. Denoon (4), Lethbridge	Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. R. Fielding (38), Mannville	Grand Tyler

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R.W. Bro. John Gillespie (1), Calgary	D.D.G.M. No. 1 Dist.
R.W. Bro. J. T. Willard (31), Taber	D.D.G.M. No. 2 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Albert R. Ennis (34), Leduc	D.D.G.M. No. 3 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Frank M. Fowler (29), Red Deer	D.D.G.M. No. 4 Dist.
R.W. Bro. James A. Marshall (76), Bashaw	D.D.G.M. No. 5 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Walter Frantzen (17), Nanton	D.D.G.M. No. 6 Dist.
R.W. Bro. E. H. McCaugherty (55), Bassano	D.D.G.M. No. 7 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Donald Thomson (6), Pincher Creek	D.D.G.M. No. 8 Dist.
R.W. Bro. William Postill (66), Trochu	D.D.G.M. No. 9 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Robt. Moss (90), Edmonton	D.D.G.M. No. 10 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Arthur Hayr (39), Lethbridge	D.D.G.M. No. 11 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Hy. Sandilands (14), Edmonton	D.D.G.M. No. 12 Dist.
R.W. Bro. M. E. Grimshaw (89), Peace River	D.D.G.M. No. 13 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Oliver J. Cowin (82), Youngstown	D.D.G.M. No. 14 Dist.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The following Brethren were elected members of the Board of General Purposes for the term of two years:

R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83)	Calgary
W. Bro. J. S. Stewart (4)	Lethbridge
R.W. Bro. T. H. Wilson (63)	Edmonton
R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers (10)	Lacombe

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

The following Brethren were elected members of the Committee on Benevolence for the term of two years:

M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29)	Red Deer
R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37)	Camrose
R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28)	Calgary

M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), was elected for a term of one year to complete the term of M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis who was elected Grand Master.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), Grand Master-elect, notified the Grand Secretary of the following appointments:

V.W. Bro. G. S. Armstrong (14), Edmonton	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. E. L. Stone (70), Redcliff	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. M. J. C. Levason (88), Grouard	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay (59), Calgary	Grand Direct of Ceremonies

V.W. Bro. H. B. Fuller (65), Diamond City.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Robert English (63), Edmonton.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Br. J. A. Roseborough (24), Vermilion.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. A. Z. Hicks (22), Okotoks	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Geo. H. McAvoy (91), Edmonton	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Roy W. Henry (81), Edmonton.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. O. McCune (80), Strome.....	Grand Pursuivant

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 1:00 o'clock p.m.

Afternoon Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2:30 p.m.

The newly-elected officers present were then duly installed and appointed officers invested by M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, P.G.M.

PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of Grand Lodge the M. W. the Grand Master presented M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill with a Past Master's collar and jewel.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, the Fifteenth Annual Communication was closed in AMPLE FORM at 5:00 o'clock p.m., with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.



S. Y. Taylor.

Grand Secretary.

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R.W. Bro. Henry Sandilands (14), Edmonton	D.D.G.M. No. 12 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Mat. E. Grimshaw (89), Peace River	D.D.G.M. No. 13 Dist.
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M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Calgary	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. John E. Johnson (83), Calgary	Grand Registrar
R.W. Bro. Rev. A. H. Denoon (4), Lethbridge	Grand Chaplain
V.W. Bro. G. S. Armstrong (14), Edmonton	Senior Grand Deacon
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V.W. Bro. Robert English (63), Edmonton	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. A. W. Roseborough (24), Vermilion	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. A. Z. Hicks (22), Okotoks	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. George H. McAvoy (91), Edmonton	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Roy W. Henry (81), Edmonton	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. O. McCune (80), Strome	Grand Pursuivant
R.W. Bro. P. Fielding (38), Mannville	Grand Tyler

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

President	R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), Camrose
Vice President	R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), Calgary
Secretary	M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Calgary

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE

M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), Grand Master	Cowley
M.W. Bro. Col. Geo. Macdonald (1), Past Grand Master	Calgary
M.W. Bro. Judge H. C. Taylor (7), Past Grand Master	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. Maj. G. H. Hogbin (1), Past Grand Master	Belize, Honduras
M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), Past Grand Master	Calgary
M.W. Bro. Thos. McNabb (4), Past Grand Master	Turin
M.W. Bro. Robt. Patterson (3), Past Grand Master	Macleod
M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), Past Grand Master	Calgary
M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson (18), Past Grand Master	Lethbridge

M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Past Grand Master.....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), Past Grand Master.....	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), Past Grand Master.....	Calgary
M.W. Bro. Dr. H. Darling (91), Past Grand Master.....	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), Past Grand Master.....	Red Deer
M.W. Bro. Dr. E. A. Braithwaite (7), Past Grand Master.....	Edmonton
M.W. Bro. W. G. Scott (—), Past Grand Master.....	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Dr. N. J. Lindsay (1), Past Grand Master.....	Calgary
R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), Deputy Grand Master.....	Camrose
R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), Senior Grand Warden.....	Calgary
R.W. Bro. George Murray (2), Junior Grand Warden.....	Medicine Hat
R.W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe (23), Grand Treasurer.....	Calgary
R.W. Bro. John E. Johnson (83), Grand Registrar.....	Calgary

ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE

R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz (12)	Edmonton
V.W. Bro. W. F. W. Carstairs (88)	Edmonton
R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1).....	Calgary
R.W. Bro. D. H. Galbraith (74).....	Vulcan
R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83).....	Calgary
R.W. Bro. T. H. Wilson (63).....	Edmonton
R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers (10).....	Lacombe
W. Bro. J. S. Stewart (4)	Lethbridge

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

Sub-Committees:

Jurisprudence—M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), **Chairman**, and all other Past Grand Masters.

Grievances and Appeals—R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), **Chairman**; R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), R.W. Bro. D. H. Galbraith (74), R.W. Bro. E. H. McCaugherty (55), R.W. Bro. Donald Thomson (6), R.W. Bro. W. Postill (66), R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers (10), R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28).

Condition of Masonry—R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), **Chairman**; R.W. Bro. Henry Sandilands (14), R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray (2), R.W. Bro. Arthur Hayr (39), R.W. Bro. A. R. Ennis (34), R.W. Bro. J. T. Willard (31), R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz (12), R.W. Bro. T. H. Wilson (63).

Foreign Relations and Correspondence—M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), **Chairman**.

Finance—M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), **Chairman**; R.W. Bro. Frank M. Fowler (29), R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), R.W. Bro. Walter Frantzen (17), R.W. Bro. Robt. Moss (90), R.W. Bro. John Gillespie (1), R.W. Bro. John E. Johnson (83).

Charters—R.W. Bro. D. H. Galbraith (74), Chairman; R.W. Bro. J. A. Marshall (71), R.W. Bro. W. Postill (66), R.W. Bro. M. E. Grimshaw (89), R.W. Bro. O. J. Cowin (82), V.W. Bro. W. F. W. Carstairs (88), R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers (10), W. Bro. J. S. Stewart (4).

Benevolence—M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), Chairman; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (47), M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), R.W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe (23), M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson (18), M.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28).

Credentials and Reception—The District Deputy Grand Masters of the Fourteen Masonic Districts; Chairman, R.W. Bro. John Gillespie (1).

S. Y. TAYLOR,

Grand Secretary.

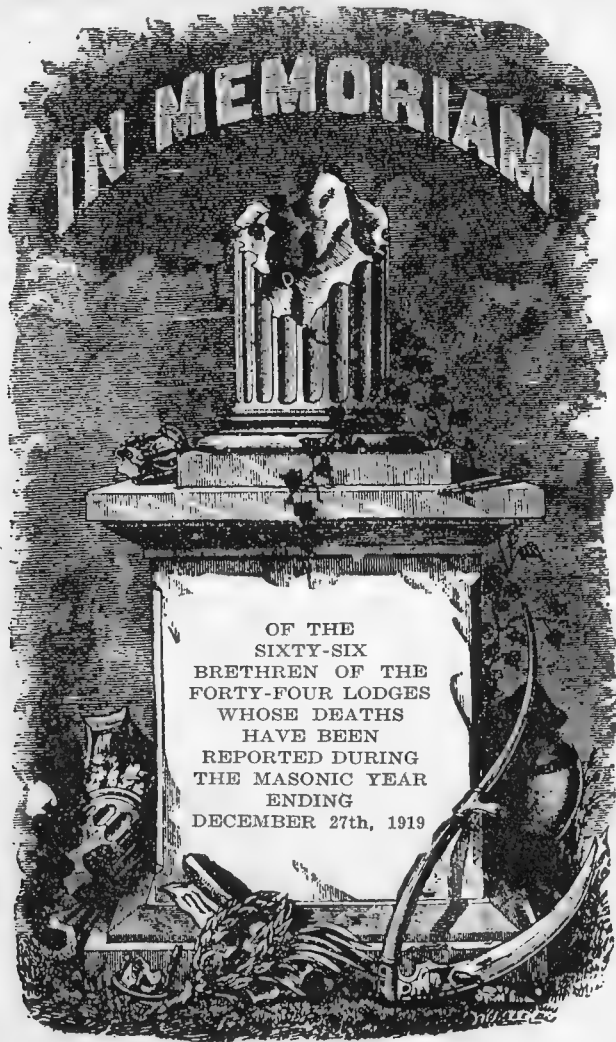


"They sleep, but in that sleep beneath the sod
No dreams shall come—those dreams that banish sleep;
No watchers, then, naught save the eyes of God,
To watch their slumbers long and still and deep.
Then mourn them not as dead—they cannot die—
And mourn them not as sleeping in that sky;
They wake, they live, not far in yonder sky,
But near us, though not seen, they walk today."

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Reverently Inscribed to the Honored Dead of Sister Jurisdictions

Jurisdiction	Name and Rank	Date of Death
Colorado	Todd, William David, P. G. M.	Oct. 24, 1919
Colorado	Kellogg, Clarence Melville, P. G. M.	Oct. 27, 1919
Connecticut	Chapman, Randolph B., P. G. M.	July 13, 1919
Florida	Boyd, James W., P. G. M.	May 29, 1919
Idaho	Cowen, Joshua M., P. G. M.	Aug. 12, 1919
Idaho	Himrod, Charles, P. G. M.	Feb. 3, 1920
Illinois	Scrogin, Austin H., P. G. M.	Apr. 26, 1919
Iowa	Rothert, Henry W., P. G. M.	Jan. 29, 1920
Manitoba	Black, George, P. G. M.	Nov. 9, 1919
Mississippi	Speed, Frederic Gordon, G. S.	Oct. 19, 1919
Mississippi	Martin, Edwin J., P. G. M.	Nov. 26, 1919
Montana	Macdonald, Alex D., P. G. M.	May 1, 1919
Nova Scotia	Flint, Thomas Barnard, P. G. M.	Apr. 7, 1919
Philadelphia	Gorgas, William Luther, P. G. M.	Jan. 31, 1919
West Virginia	Walker, Kephart Delwar, P. G. M.	Sept. 11, 1919
West Virginia	Feidt, George W., P. G. M.	May 11, 1919
West Virginia	Riley, John Harper, P. G. M.	July 27, 1919



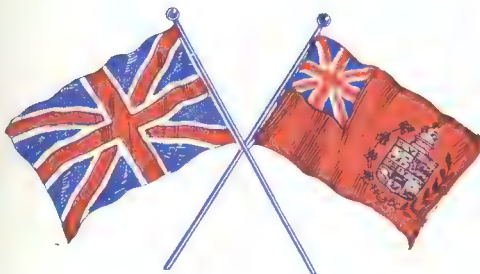
"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away."

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TO THE HONORED DEAD OF OUR OWN JURISDICTION

No	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
1.	Bow River	Masse, Joseph	Feb. 23, 1919
1.	Bow River	Nixon, John James	Sep. 17, 1919
1.	Bow River	Rea, Arnold	
4	North Star	Vanhorne, Walter E	Feb. 15, 1919
5	Cascade	Wright, John Sidney	Dec. 1, 1919
6	Spitzie	Smith, J. Harold	Nov. 4, 1919
7.	Edmonton	Haslett, R. J.	Apr. 14, 1919
7	Edmonton	Donley, James P.	Apr. 5, 1919
7.	Edmonton	Belcher, Robert	Feb. 10, 1919
7	Edmonton	Cook, John	Mar. 20, 1919
7.	Edmonton	Kennedy, Willard V	Dec. 24, 1919
9	Perfection	Giffen, John V.	Jan. 22, 1919
9.	Perfection	Shortt	
9	Perfection	McKenzie, James A.	July 25, 1919
9	Perfection	Pratt, Fred. Howard	Sep. 6, 1919
10.	Eureka	Mobley, George Gale	Sept. 9, 1919
10	Eureka	Talbot, Peter	Dec. 6, 1919
11	Acacia	Congdon, William George	
11	Acacia	Montgomery, George M	
12	Red Deer	Piper, William	Aug. 22, 1919
13	Victoria	Harnden, Harry R.	Apr. 15, 1919
14	Jasper	Brewer, Henry Chapple	Nov. 18, 1918
16	Rocky Mountain	Beck, Richard Charles	June 29, 1919
19	Cornerstone	Carson, J.	April 15, 1919
19	Cornerstone	Brooks, J. E.	Aug. 2, 1919
21	King Hiram	Heibert, Cornelius	Mar. 20, 1919
22	Corinthian	McRae, Alexander	Dec. 7, 1919
25	St John's	Trimble, John	July 17, 1919
26	Sentinel	Tomlinson, Leslie	April 26, 1919
28	Ashlar	Burrows, Henry G.	Feb. 16, 1919
28	Ashlar	Howard, Joseph	
28	Ashlar	Farrow, Claude L.	Mar. 29, 1919
28	Ashlar	Trowsse, Arthur R.	Feb. 23, 1919
29	Kenilworth	Smith, Samuel J.	Jan. 25, 1919
33	Stavely	McFarland, Robert Allan	May 29, 1919
33	Stavely	Currie, Ronald Hugh	Dec. 30, 1919
35	Mizpah	Knowles, Herbert O.	Mar. 19, 1919
36	Gleichen	Gooderham, James Hamilton	Dec. 10, 1919
41	Buffalo Park	Pecknold, Albert A.	Jan. 13, 1919
45	Ionic	Ferlin, Thomas	Oct. 15, 1919
48	Crossfield	Thomas, A. R.	Oct. 25, 1919
51	Unity	Robertson, Alexander C.	July 12, 1919

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
52.	Langdon	Hatcher, William	1919
54.	Mount Lebanon	Goodwin, Joseph	Oct. 14, 1919
54.	Mount Lebanon ..	Morgan, John E.	April 9, 1919
56.	Beaver	Warnock, John Nelson	Dec. 31, 1918
57.	Grassy Lake.....	McNabb, Robert J.	June 27, 1919
60.	Acme	Collier, Joseph	April 27, 1919
64.	Bow Island	Carson, James Gordon	April 15, 1919
71.	Tawatinaw	Gordon, Haight	Aug. 6, 1919
73.	Brooks	Ellis, James Patterson	Dec. 25, 1918
74.	Vulcan	Ferguson, Dugald	Aug. .. 1919
77.	Strathcona	Wynn, Percy Howard	Dec. 12, 1919
80.	Excelsior ..	Coleman, James Frederick	May 19, 1919
83.	Zetland	Harnish, H. C.	Nov. 11, 1918
83.	Zetland ..	McElvery, R. L.	Jan. 3, 1919
85.	Suffield	Snyder, Amasa	Dec. 28, 1919
85.	Suffield	Sharp, Robert	Jan. 12, 1919
91.	Patricia	Fraser, Alan T.	Mar. 21, 1919
91.	Patricia	Campbell, Thomas	June .. 1919
91.	Patricia	Smith, John Arthur	Sep. 13, 1919
91.	Patricia	Howe, George Percy ..	Oct. 19, 1919
92.	Saskatchewan	Bennie, Alexander	Sep. 2, 1919
93.	Symbol	Coyle, Guy Harwick	Jan. .. 1918
95.	Kitchener	Byers, William J.	Mar. 29, 1919
104.	Oyen	Orwens, James W.	Dec. 15, 1919



Roll of Honor

THE FOLLOWING BRETHREN HAVE LAID DOWN THEIR
LIVES FOR THEIR COUNTRY.

Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori.

No.	Lodge	Name	Date of Death
9.	Perfection	Duncan, Charles	June 3, 1916
11.	Acacia	Mead, A. Courcy	
13.	Victoria	Gillespie, Alexander M.	Sept. 3, 1918
24.	Vermilion	Welsh, George Pringle	1917
35.	Mizpah	Cunliffe, George Alex.	August 9, 1918
54.	Mount Lebanon	McBain, William	Sept. 25, 1916
68.	Edson	McIntosh, Ira D.	October 7, 1918
69.	Connaught	Kelcey, W. B. F.	
88.	Wahpun	McWaters, Wm. J.	October — 1919

LODGE DIRECTORY
and
STATISTICAL TABLE

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name	W. Master	Secretary	Address	Regular Meeting
1	Bow River	Sauder, P. M.	Adames, H. J.	439 12th Ave. E., Calgary	Second Monday in each month.
2	Medicine Hat	Parrish, V. W.	Snaper, R. M.	Medicine Hat	Second Tuesday in each month.
3	Alberta	Middleton, S.	Spark, Geo.	Medicine Hat	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
4	North Star	Reid, J. A.	White, H. S.	Lethbridge	Second Monday in each month.
5	Cascade	Melville, R. L.	Ward, W. E.	Box 70, Banff	Thursday, on or before full moon.
6	Spitzale	Allison, R. O.	Gillespie, J. J.	Pincher Creek	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
7	Edmonton	Earnhouse, F.	Muir, L.	Box 515, Edmonton	Third Thursday in each month.
8	Innisfail	Turner, A. T.	Jackson, M. H.	Innisfail	Third Thursday in each month.
9	Perfection	Hargreaves, J. A.	Allen, T. M.	Alex. Corner, Calgary	First Wednesday in each month.
10	Eureka	Ramsey, R. L.	Carruthers, N. E.	Lacombe	Second Thursday in each month.
11	Acacia	White, G. W.	Church, A. H.	Edmonton, S.	Second Tuesday in each month.
12	Red Deer	Maxwell, A. S.	Gamble, C. C.	Red Deer	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
13	Victoria	Rumble, H.	Dodge, H. W.	Fort Saskatchewan	Second Monday in each month.
14	Jasper	Rea, John	Irving, J.	10737 102 Ave., Edmonton	Third Thursday in each month.
15	Wetaskiwin	Pinkle, E.	Fraser, J. E.	Wetaskiwin	Friday, on or before full moon.
16	Mountain View	Bliss, W. F.	Shortt, J. S.	Olds	Third Friday in each month.
17	Nanton	Sears, W. L.	Legler, G. H.	Nanton	First Thursday in each month.
18	Britannia	Sayers, A.	Bowker, G. E.	Ponoka	Thursday, on or before full moon.
19	Cornerstone	Green, R. A.	Thomas, P. G.	High River	Thursday, on or before full moon.
20	Carstairs	King, J. G.	Price, W. B.	Carstairs	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
21	King Hiram	Harrison, G. S.	Clark, J. L.	Didsbury	First Friday in each month.
22	Corinthian	Downey, D. J.	Paterson, G. S.	Okotoks	First Friday in each month.
23	Calgary	Sterns, C. A.	McBurney, J. A.	426 Boulevard N.W., Calgary	First Tuesday in each month.
24	Vermilion	Yungblut, A.	Horne, J. A.	Vermilion	First Monday in each month.
25	St. John's	Wilson, F.	Reid, J. S.	Vegreville	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
26	Sentinel	Delicate, J. P.	Pattinson, G.	Bellevue	First Monday in each month.
27	Apollo	Lee, P.	King, L. H.	Stettler	Second Thursday in each month.
28	Ashlar	Horne, W. H.	Houlton, S.	431 Lougheed Bldg., Cal'y	First Tuesday in each month.
29	Kenilworth	Hanley, L. I.	Campbell, J. M.	Red Deer	First Thursday in each month.
30	Summit	Barrie, E. I.	Quimette, W. L.	Coleman	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
31	Doric	Munro, H. P.	Willard, J. T.	Taber	Third Tuesday in each month.
32	Chiro	Hooper, J. C.	Cramer, L. C.	Clareholm	Tuesday on or before full moon.
33	Stavely	Irvine, A. D.	Ditto, F. S.	Stavely	First Tuesday in each month.
34	Star of the W.	Morris, B. F.	Martin, Karl	Leduc	Third Tuesday in each month.
35	Mizpah	Finch, A. G.	Stevens, W. B.	Medicine Hat	Tuesday, on or next after full moon.
36	Gleichen	Beach, T. H.	Stocken, Canon	Gleichen	Second Thursday in each month.
37	Camrose	Flint, C. D.	Leitch, H. A.	Camrose	Monday, on or before full moon.
38	Hope	Crooks, J.	Milligan, Wm	Mannville	Third Thursday in each month.
39	Lethbridge	Rossiter, J. E.	Long, R. L.	Lethbridge	Thursday, on or before full moon.
40	Joplin	Peebles, A.	Geoson, G.	Granum	Thursday, on or before full moon.

No	Name	W. Master	Secretary	Address	Regular Meeting
11	King Solomon	Loughery, J. W.	Batiary, G. P.	Cochrane	Friday, on or before full moon.
12	Rowden	Lancaster, T. J.	Clark, H. H.	Rowden	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
43	Tuscan	Knox, A. R.	Gawley, A. S.	Killam	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
44	Burford Park	Munn, H. C.	Mathers, D. O.	Wainwright	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
45	Ione	Mackie, J. R.	Finch, H. G.	Alix	Thursday, preceding full moon.
46	Paestine	Jacobs, D. W.	Ward, H. T.	Tofield	Monday, on or after full moon.
47	Chinook	Coates, R.	Murphy, M. A.	Cowley	Monday, on or before full moon.
48	Crossfield	Burns, S.	McFarlane, R. L.	Crossfield	Monday, on or before full moon.
49	Robert Burns	Willap, L. C.	Hamilton, W. G.	Carmangay	Monday, on or before full moon.
50	Comet	McArthur, A. J.	Dickson, A. W.	Hardisty	Second Wednesday in each month.
51	Unity	Helman, D.	McIntosh, D.	9332 107th St	First Tuesday in each month.
52	Langdon	Moe, E. T.	Brander, J.	Langdon	Thursday, on or before full moon.
53	Strathmore	Sonos, S. C.	McDonald, H. F.	Strathmore	Monday, on or before full moon.
54	Mt. Lebanon	Nicholls, W. T.	Shaw, J.	29 New St., E. Calgary	Second Tuesday in each month.
55	Bassano	Muir, E. R.	McCaugherty, E. H.	Bassano	First Tuesday in each month.
56	Beaver Lake	Lone, J. W.	Smith, O. C.	Castor	First Wednesday in each month.
57	Grassy Lake	Ellingson, J. O.	Litt, A. T.	Grassy Lake	Second Thursday in each month.
58	Chief Mountain	Cavers, F. V.	Cairncross, G. F.	Cardston	Second Friday in each month.
59	King George	Macaulay, V. H.	Smalley, T. R.	730 4½ St. N.W., Calgary	Second Friday in each month.
60	Acme	Baugh, J.	Walker, Andrew	Acme	Thursday, on or before full moon.
61	Provost	Hatson, A.	Winter, R. S.	Provost	Third Wednesday in each month.
62	Coal	McIlveen, A.	Fraser, D. A.	Bawlf	Third Thursday in each month.
63	Empire	Enlish, R.	Lackey, C. J.	P.O. Box 386, Edmonton	Third Monday in each month.
64	Box Island	Hell, C. H.	Bateman, W. A.	Box Island	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
65	Diamond City	Lawrence, D. E.	Christie, T. N.	Diamond City	Second Friday in each month.
66	St. Andrews	Snyder, Hudson	B. Slipp, R. A.	Trochu	Thursday, on or before full moon.
67	Charity	Dupen, A. E.	Steele, M. B.	Lethbridge	Second Tuesday in each month.
68	Edson	Knox, R.	Mackenzie, J. D.	Edson	First Thursday in each month.
69	Connaught	McAtthey, Wm.	Sparling, R.	Viking	Tuesday, nearest full moon.
70	Quarry	Stone, E. L.	Harper, H. W.	Redcliff	First Tuesday in each month.
71	Tawatinau	Falconer, F. R.	Pratt, C. H.	Athabasca	First Wednesday in each month.
72	Coronation	Taylor, R.	McNeill, W. J.	Coronation	Thursday, on or before full moon.
73	Brooks	Gibson, F. W.	Marshall, O. H.	Brooks	Third Tuesday in each month.
74	Vulcan	Trail, A. M.	Anderson, F. M.	Vulcan	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
75	Harmony	Graham, W. D.	McDonald, J. S.	Sedgewick	Monday, on or before full moon.
76	Fidelity	Cransdon, E. E.	Marshall, J. A.	Bashaw	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
77	Strathcona	McKibbin, J.	Shields, W. K.	10129 83 Ave, S. Edmonton	Second Friday in each month.
78	Hanna	Watt, S. G.	Garland, A. F.	Hanna	First Wednesday in each month.
79	Morning Star	Adams, J. R.	Bunnen, A.	Lougheed	Thursday, on or before full moon.
80	Excelsior	McCune, O.	O'Neill, J. N.	Strome	Thursday, on or before full moon.
81	Commercial	Wells, H. L.	Kells, R. C.	P.O. Box 607, Edmonton	First Saturday in each month.
82	Acadia	McKeage, T. J.	Cairns, J. K.	Youngstown	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
83	Zetland	Maxwell, L. A.	Bowes, V. A.	408 5th Ave. W. Calgary	Third Monday in each month.
84	Champion	Crawford, E. F.	Depue, W. H.	Champion	Second Thursday in each month.

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85	Suffield	Booth, G. M.	Whiting, J. P.	Suffield	Second Wednesday in each month.
86	Rocky Mount'n	Passmore, G. A.	Mason, A. D.	Blairmore	Second Monday in each month.
87	Crescent	Currie, M.	Aitken, A. D.	212 15th Ave, N.W.	Calg'y Second Tuesday in each month.
88	Walpun	Lavason, M. J.	Pottage, F.	Grouard	Thursday, on or after full moon.
89	Peace River	Norris, T. A.	Anderson, K.	Peace River	Second Wednesday in each month.
90	Norwood	Ganner, J. H.	Horrocks, W.	1922 92nd Ave.	Edmonton Second Tuesday in each month.
91	Patricia	McAvoy, G. H.	Gowan, G. H.	10014 107 Ave.	Edmonton Third Friday in each month.
92	Saskatchewan	Dairon, Andrew	Kelcher, W. H.	10203 107 St.,	Edmonton Second Thursday in each month.
93	Symbol	McMullen, S. L.	Eakin, J. H.	Drumheller	Monday, on or before full moon.
94	Lamont	Laidlaw, A. R.	Reid, J. H.	Lamont	Friday, on or before full moon.
95	Kitchener	Byers, S. J.	Renshaw, J.	Rimbey	First Wednesday in each month.
96	Dynamic	Brisbin, C. N.	Campbell, N. L.	Holden	First Thursday in each month.
97	Albion	Code, J. A.	Freeman, H. N.	Chauvin	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
98	Hand Hill	Kennedy, G. C.	McBeath, J. P.	Della	Thursday, on or before full moon.
99	Mount Moriah	Ball, H. M.	Steeves, E.	Sibbald	Monday, on or before full moon.
100	Warner	Caldwell, M.	Coburn, C. R.	Warner	First Wednesday in each month.
101	W. Edmonton	Patterson, W. H.	Booth, G. A.	P.O. Box 64, W.	Edmon'n First Wednesday in each month.
102	Edgerton	Murdoch, W. D.	Smalley, S. R.	Edgerton	Monday, on or before full moon.
103	Foremost	Wright, B.	Arnold, H. G.	Foremost	First Friday in each month.
104	Oyen	McDonald, Henry	Toland, Norman	Oyen	Friday, on or before full moon.
105	Grande Prairie	Otto, Ernest	Oliver, J. B.	Grande Prairie	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
106	Lake Saskatoon	Grant, Wm.	Taylor, A. J.	Lake Saskatoon	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
107	Carbon	Braisher, W. A.	Garrett, J.	Carbon	Monday, on or before full moon.
108	Pyramid	Walkey, L. W.	Couper, G. V.	Lomond	
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U.D.	Kilwinning	McGregor, G. T.	Stewart, R.		
U.D.	Nobleford	Harris, J.	Wakley, H. C.		
U.D.	Cyprus	Kimball, R. C.	Robertson, A. J.		
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1	Bow River	272	31	21	22	5	1	8			3	298	26	
2	Medicine Hat	185	15	14	13	4	2	4	4			198	13	
3	Alberta	91	6	5	8	4		5	3			93	2	
4	North Star	225	10	14	10	4	5	8	5		1	230	5	
5	Cascade	128	3	2	2	6	2	4	3	1	1	130	2	
6	Spitzie	76	10	15	11	2		3	3		1	81	5	
7	Edmonton	284	8	9	5	3	5	4	7		5	284		
8	Innisfail	66	9	10	7	2		5				72	6	
9	Perfection	361	18	20	17	11	4	4			5	385	24	
10	Eureka	108	13	13	13	2		7			2	114	6	
11	Acacia	167	12	8	8	4			3		3	177	10	
12	Red Deer	99	30	25	13	5	3	1			1	135	36	
13	Victoria	65	6	4	3			2	3		2	64		1
14	Jasper	199	8	14	12	3	1	7	17		1	186		13
15	Wetaskiwin	76	3	4	2	6		1	1			83	7	
16	Mountain View	50	3	4	4	3	1	3	1		1	52	2	
17	Nanton	82	8	10	8	2	1	3	1			89	7	
18	Britannia	54	5			1	1	3	5		1	52		2
19	Cornerstone	152	10	8	7	3	2				2	163	11	
20	Carstairs	37	4	3	3	1		2	3			37		
21	King Hiram	64	8	5	7				1		1	70	6	
22	Corinthian	62	4	3	3	2		1			1	66	4	
23	Calgary	213	17	21	16	9	1	4	4			232	19	
24	Vermilion	81	5	6	6	1					1	86	5	
25	St. John	76	10	9	5	3		1			1	87	11	
26	Sentinel	78	3	3	3	1		3			1	78		
27	Apollo	107	1	2	2	1	1	4				106		1
28	Ashlar	186	33	34	29	15	1	10	6		4	215	29	
29	Kenilworth	80	18	17	16	3		1		1	1	98	18	
30	Summit	42	6	6	5	1			1			48	6	
31	Doric	70	9	6	6	2		6	4			71	1	
32	Cairo	58	4	4	2		1	4				59	1	
33	Stavely	72	5	3	3			1	1		2	73	1	
34	Star of the West	44	8	5	4	3		2				53	9	
35	Mizpah	115	16	11	11	2		4			2	127	12	
36	Gleichen	72	10	7	4	1		1			1	81	9	
37	Camrose	66	1	1	1			3	5			59		7
38	Hope	47	5	3	6	1		1	1			51	4	
39	Lethbridge	107	18	21	22	4	2	5	2			124	17	
40	Joppa	35	1	2	4	1	1					38	3	
41	King Solomon	29	1	1	4			3				27		2
42	Bowden	26	2	2	2	2						30	4	
43	Tuscan	52	5	7	6	1		1	1			56	4	
44	Buffalo Park	67	3	4	3			2			1	67		

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45	Ionic	49	7	6	5	4	...	2	5	...	1	52	3	...
46	Palestine	40	5	4	6	...	1	3	...	...	...	43	3	...
47	Chinook	35	2	3	4	1	...	2	...	...	...	36	1	...
48	Crossfield	51	9	6	6	2	...	4	4	...	1	53	2	...
49	Robert Burns	50	5	6	7	3	...	1	...	...	...	57	7	...
50	Comet	28	2	2	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	30	2	...
51	Unity	303	29	27	28	4	2	7	16	...	1	314	11	...
52	Langdon	34	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	30	...	4
53	Strathmore	72	13	10	9	1	...	2	2	...	...	82	10	...
54	Mt. Lebanon	102	33	28	27	...	...	2	7	...	3	213	21	...
55	Bassano	60	7	8	7	5	...	1	...	...	...	71	11	...
56	Beaver	55	5	1	1	...	...	5	...	...	1	54	...	1
57	Grassy Lake	33	3	2	1	1	...	2	2	...	1	32	...	1
58	Chief Mountain	31	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	31	...	...
59	King George	134	41	39	35	4	1	2	4	...	...	174	40	...
60	Acme	76	6	...	...	1	1	17	6	...	...	60	...	16
61	Provost	65	9	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	73	8	...
62	Coal	19	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	17	...	2
63	Empire	92	16	15	11	5	2	3	...	...	...	112	20	...
64	Bow Island	62	8	7	11	2	...	...	...	...	1	71	9	...
65	Diamond City	34	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	34	...	...
66	St. Andrew	42	3	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	46	4	...
67	Charity	48	8	4	4	1	...	2	...	...	...	55	7	...
68	Edson	66	5	9	8	2	...	1	...	...	...	72	6	...
69	Connaught	45	1	1	1	2	...	12	...	...	1	35	...	10
70	Quarry	51	3	5	5	...	...	3	...	...	...	51	...	...
71	Tawatinaw	39	...	2	4	1	...	4	...	...	1	35	...	4
72	Coronation	61	10	10	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	72	11	...
73	Brooks	68	8	8	6	1	1	1	...	...	1	76	8	...
74	Vulcan	56	5	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	61	5	...
75	Harmony	37	1	3	2	2	...	1	...	...	...	39	2	...
76	Fidelity	51	13	14	15	1	...	1	...	...	...	64	13	...
77	Strathcona	175	13	14	21	3	...	10	...	...	1	180	5	...
78	Hanna	65	5	2	2	5	...	...	...	...	1	74	9	...
79	Morning Star	32	2	1	1	4	...	4	...	...	...	34	2	...
80	Excelsior	38	4	4	4	1	...	2	1	...	1	39	1	...
81	Commercial	108	21	20	21	3	...	1	...	...	...	131	23	...
82	Acadia	62	9	8	6	2	...	4	1	...	...	68	6	...
83	Zetland	171	16	10	10	6	...	4	...	...	2	187	16	...
84	Champion	41	4	6	6	2	...	4	...	...	...	43	2	...
85	Suffield	37	7	3	3	...	...	1	...	...	2	41	4	...
86	Rocky Mountain	40	1	1	1	2	...	1	...	...	...	42	2	...
87	Crescent	106	25	24	19	7	...	3	...	...	...	135	29	...
88	Wahpun	32	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	...	1	27	...	5

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89	Peace River	51	3	2	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	53	2	...
90	Norwood	68	18	12	14	6	...	2	...	...	...	90	22	...
91	Patricia	339	31	36	30	12	...	18	18	...	4	342	3	...
92	Saskatchewan	47	5	5	5	...	...	6	...	...	1	45	...	2
93	Symbol	61	13	8	8	2	...	2	...	...	1	73	12	...
94	Lamont	29	5	2	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	34	5	...
95	Kitchener	22	2	2	2	1	...	2	...	...	1	22	...	...
96	Dynamic	17	18	14	11	...	...	2	...	...	...	33	16	...
97	Albion	15	4	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	20	5	...
98	Hand Hill	28	10	13	12	2	...	...	...	...	...	40	12	...
99	Mount Moriah	17	4	4	4	...	...	2	...	...	...	19	2	...
100	Warner	30	6	5	3	...	...	2	...	...	...	34	4	...
101	West Edmonton	41	8	7	11	2	...	1	...	...	...	50	9	...
102	Edgerton	25	7	7	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	33	8	...
103	Foremost	19	7	2	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	28	9	...
104	Oyen	28	18	18	18	2	...	...	...	...	1	47	19	...
105	Grande Prairie	25	15	11	6	5	...	...	...	...	...	45	20	...
106	Lake Saskatoon	30	8	7	11	...	...	1	...	...	...	37	7	...
107	Carbon	16	14	11	9	3	...	...	...	...	...	33	17	...
108	Pyramid	15	5	4	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	24	9	...
U.D.	Anc't Landmark	...	18	16	12	12	...	...	...	...	...	30	30	...
U.D.	Nobleford	...	5	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	14	14	...
U.D.	Kilwinning	...	1	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	12	12	...
U.D.	Cyprus	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	14	14	...
		8535	995	901	830	298	43	293	156	2	77	9343	879	71

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California	John Whicher	San Francisco, Masonic Temple
Canada	W. M. Logan	Hamilton, Ontario.
Chili	Augustine I. Palma	Casilla No. 2867, Santiago, Chili
Colorado	Chas. H. Jacobson	Denver.
Connecticut	George A. Kies	Hartford.
Costa Rica	Antonio Castro	San Jose.
Cuba	Jose Marti	Habana, P. O. Box 72.
Delaware	H. J. Guthrie	Wilmington.
Dist. of Columbia	Arvine W. Johnston	Washington D.C. Masonic Temple
England	P. Colville Smith	London.
Florida	Wilbur P. Webster	Jacksonville.
Georgia	Frank F. Baker	Macon.
Guatemala	Filidelio Cobar	Gautemala City.
Idaho	Geo. E. Knepper	Boise City.
Illinois	Isaac Cutter	Camp Point.
Indiana	Calvin W. Prather	Indianapolis, Masonic Temple
Iowa	Newton R. Parvin	Cedar Rapids, Mas. Library.
Ireland	Henry E. Flavell	Dublin
Italy	C. Berlenda	Rome, Casella Postale 443.
Kentucky	Dave Jackson	Louisville
Kansas	A. K. Wilson	Topeka.
Louisiana	John A. Davilla	New Orleans, Masonic Temple
Maine	Chas. B. Davis	Portland.
Manitoba	James A. Ovas	Winnipeg.
Maryland	George Cook	Baltimore, Masonic Temple
Massachusetts	F. W. Hamilton	Boston, Masonic Temple.
Mexico (York G.L.)	W. A. White	Mexico City, P.O. Box 1986.
Michigan	Lou B. Winsor	Reed City.
Minnesota	John Fishel	St. Paul.
Mississippi	Olver Lee McKay	Meridian.
Missouri	John R. Parson	St. Louis.
Montana	Cornelius Hedges, Jr.	Helena, Masonic Temple.
Nebraska	Francis E. White	Omaha, 1608 Capital Ave.
Netherlands	H. J. W. van Lawick	The Hague, Fluweelen Burg, 22
Nevada	Edw. D. Vanderlieth	Carson City.
New Brunswick	J. Twining Hartt	St. John, Ritchies' Building
New Hampshire	H. M. Cheney	Concord, 3 North Main Street
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton, Masonic Temple
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New South Wales	Arthur H. Bray	Sydney
New York	Robert J. Kenworthy	New York City, Masonic Hall
New Zealand	Malcolm Niccol	Box 341, Auckland
North Carolina	W. W. Willson	Raleigh.
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo.
Nova Scotia	James C. Jones	Halifax, Freemasons' Hall
Ohio	Jacob H. Bromwell	Cincinnati, Masonic Temple
Oklahoma	Wm. M. Anderson	Oklahoma City.
Oregon	James F. Robinson	Portland, 338 Yamhill Street
Pennsylvania	John A. Perry	Philadelphia, Masonic Temple
Peru	Abelardo L. Montes	Lima, P.O. Box 587.
Philippine Islands	Newton C. Comfort	Manila.
Porto Rico	Jose G. Torres	San Juan.
Pr. Edward Is.	W. P. Doull	Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal.
Queensland	Chas. H. Harley	Brisbane.
Rhode Island	S. Penrose Williams	Providence.
Saskatchewan	W. B. Tate	Regina
Scotland	David Reid	Edinburgh.
South Australia	Chas. R. J. Glover	Adelaide.
South Carolina	O. Frank Hart	Columbia.
South Dakota	George A. Pettigrew	Sioux Falls.
Sweden	S. H. B. Soennson	Stockholm, Blasieholmen, No. 6
Tasmania	John Hamilton	Hobart
Tennessee	Sith M. Cain	Nashville
Texas	W. B. Pearson	Waco
Utah	F. A. McCarthy	Salt Lake City.
Victoria	Chas. A. Barrow	Melbourne.
Vermont	H. H. Ross	Burlington.
Virginia	Chas. A. Nesbitt	Richmond, Masonic Temple
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma.
West Australia	J. D. Stevenson	Perth.
West Virginia	Jno. M. Collins	Charleston
Wisconsin	W. W. Perry	Milwaukee.
Wyoming	Jos. M. Lowndes	Lander

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Thos. McNabb	R. Patterson	S. J. Blair	J. A. Jackson	Dr. N. J. Lindsay	Dr. G. Macdonald	W. M. Connacher	Rev. S. B. Hillocks	
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LIST OF LODGES BY MASONIC DISTRICTS

DISTRICT No. 1

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. J. Gillespie (1).

No. 1	Bow River	Calgary	No. 54	Mount Lebanon	Calgary
No. 5	Cascade	Banff	No. 59	King George	Calgary
No. 9	Perfection	Calgary	No. 60	Acme	Acme
No. 23	Calgary	Calgary	No. 83	Zetland	Calgary
No. 28	Ashlar	Calgary	No. 87	Crescent	Calgary
No. 41	King Solomon	Cochrane	No. 107	Carbon	Carbon

DISTRICT No. 2

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. J. T. Willard (31).

No. 2	Medicine Hat	Med. Hat	No. 64	Bow Island	Bow Island
No. 31	Doric	Taber	No. 70	Quarry	Redcliff
No. 35	Mizpah	Medicine Hat	No. 85	Suffield	Suffield
No. 57	Grassy Lake	Grassy Lake	No. 103	Foremost	Foremost

DISTRICT No. 3

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. A. R. Ennis (34).

No. 7	Edmonton	Edmonton	No. 81	Commercial	Edmonton
No. 34	Star of the West	Leduc	No. 96	Dynamic	Holden
No. 44	Buffalo Park	Wainwright	No. 97	Albion	Chauvin
No. 46	Palestine	Tofield	No. 102	Edgerton	Edgerton
No. 51	Unity	Edmonton	No. 112	Victory	Priddy
No. 69	Connaught	Viking			

DISTRICT No. 4

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Frank M. Fowler (29).

No. 8	Innisfail	Innisfail	No. 20	Carstairs	Carstairs
No. 10	Eureka	Lacombe	No. 21	King Hiram	Didsbury
No. 12	Red Deer	Red Deer	No. 29	Kenilworth	Red Deer
No. 15	Wetaskiwin	Wetaskiwin	No. 42	Bowden	Bowden
No. 16	Mountain View	Olds	No. 48	Crossfield	Crossfield
No. 18	Britannia	Ponoka	No. 95	Kitchener	Rimby

DISTRICT No. 5

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. James A. Marshall (76).

No. 37	Camrose	Camrose	No. 75	Harmony	Sedgewick
No. 43	Tuscan	Killam	No. 76	Fidelity	Bashaw
No. 50	Comet	Hardisty	No. 79	Morning Star	Lougheed
No. 61	Provost	Provost	No. 80	Excelsior	Strome
No. 62	Coal	Bawlf			

DISTRICT No. 6

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Walter Frantzen (17).

No. 17	Nanton	Nanton	No. 32	Cairo	Claresholm
No. 19	Cornerstone	High River	No. 33	Stavely	Stavely
No. 22	Corinthian	Okotoks	No. 40	Joppa	Granum

DISTRICT No. 7

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. E. H. McCaugherty (55).

No. 36	Gleichen	Gleichen	No. 55	Bassano	Bassano
No. 53	Strathmore	Strathmore	No. 73	Brooks	Brooks

DISTRICT No. 8

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Donald Thomson (6).

No 3	Alberta	Macleod	No. 30	Summit	Coleman
No 6	Spitzie	Pincher	No 47	Chinook	Cowley
No. 26	Sentinel	Hillcrest	No 86	Rocky Mount'n.	Blairmore

DISTRICT No. 9

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. William Postill (66).

No 27	Apollo	Stettler	No. 72	Coronation	Coronation
No 45	Ionic	Alix	No. 109	Anc't Landmark	Mirror
No 56	Beaver	Castor	U.D.	Cyprus	Three Hills
No 66	St. Andrew's	Trochu			

DISTRICT No. 10

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Robt. Moss (90).

No 11	Acacia	Edmonton	No. 63	Empire	Edmonton
No 13	Victoria..Ft.	Saskatch'w'n	No. 71	Tawatinaw	Athabasca
No 24	Vermillion	Vermillion	No. 90	Norwood	Edmonton
No 25	St. John's	Vegreville	No. 94	Lamont	Lamont
No 38	Hope	Mannville	No. 110	Kilwinning	Minburn

DISTRICT No. 11

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Arthur Hayr (39).

No 4	North Star	Lethbridge	No. 74	Vulcan	Vulcan
No 39	Lethbridge	Lethbridge	No. 84	Champion	Champion
No 49	Rob't Burns	Carmanagay	No. 100	Warner	Warner
No 58	Chief Mountain	Cardston	No. 108	Pyramid	Lomond
No 65	Diamond City	Diam'd C'y	No 111	Nobleford	Nobleford
No 67	Charity	Lethbridge			

DISTRICT No. 12

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Henry Sandilands (14).

No 14	Jasper	Edmonton	No. 92	Saskatchewan	Edmonton
No 68	Edson	Edson	No. 101	W. Edmonton	Edmont'n W.
No 77	Strathcona	Edmont'n S.	U.D.	Westlock	Westlock
No 91	Patricia	Edmonton			

DISTRICT No. 13

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. M. W. Grimshaw (89).

No. 88	Wahpun	Grouard	No. 105	Grande Prairie..G.	Prairie
No 89	Peace River	Peace River	No 106	Lake Saskatoon..L.	Sask.

DISTRICT No. 14

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Oliver J. Cowin (82).

No 78	Hanna	Hanna	No. 99	Mt. Moriah	Sibbald
No 82	Acadia	Youngstown	No. 104	Oyen	Oyen
No 93	Symbol	Drumheller	U D	Crocus	Chinook
No 98	Hand Hill	Delia			

REPORT

of the

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

It is a matter of deep regret that M.W. Bro. H. Darling, P.G.M., Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, became ill during the early part of this year and was unable to review the proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions which he has so ably done for the past two years. The Board of General Purposes at its meeting immediately after the close of Grand Lodge requested the Grand Secretary to prepare a brief report, reviewing as many of the proceedings of other Jurisdictions as time would permit, and include the same in the annual proceedings of this year. This has been hurriedly done and the results appended herewith. We regret very much that owing to lack of time we were unable to review the proceedings of all Grand Lodges with whom we hold fraternal correspondence and hope in the coming year to present a review of all the proceedings of our Sister Jurisdictions.

This review has been prepared with the object of bringing before the brethren of this Jurisdiction the important events which have transpired throughout the Masonic world during the past year. We have endeavored where practicable, to state the facts in the author's own words being confident that it is our duty to convey, rather than to interpret or discuss the views of others.

I trust that the brethren of this Jurisdiction will find in these pages much valuable information.

Fraternally Submitted,

S. Y. Taylor.

ALABAMA

The 99th annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Montgomery, on the 3rd day of December, 1919. M.W. Bro. Robert S. Tague, Grand Master.

Bro. Robert Eugene Steiner, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was present.

From the introduction of the Grand Master's address we quote as follows:

"Against fraternities, our own in particular, as the most ancient and most widely spread, because the boasted 'Brotherhood of Man' was little more than a phrase, easily and quickly forgotten in the heat of passion; that precepts most elaborately set forth, had not been transmuted into action nor urged with unity of purpose.

"Will we be satisfied, or can we satisfy the thinkers, with the sophistry that has heretofore led to a shirking of the larger duty the plea that Masonry operates only in and through the individual? To gain to larger good this answer will not suffice.

"Good of any sort worth estimating is gained in this world only by mass movements of ordinary but earnest and faithful men: not by any number of isolated saints mumbling prayers, or announcing pleasing dogmas. The underlying idea of fraternity the greatest reason for its existence—is to gain force by organization, to improve by discipline, and to turn the many to an united effort for the accomplishment of worthy purposes.

"Fortunately there is time to bring words to the test of action. But it is needed now, and imperatively, that there be clear altruistic purpose full in view; wide as the world and as comprehensive as the race, with an intensity pervading the whole Craft that will balk at no obstacle on the path to accomplishment.

"Let us have done with barren formalisms and uttered formalities, and seek by every means to gain to an understanding of the needs of men. Let us break down once and for all time the petty barriers that ignorance and prejudice have erected between us and our brethren.

"Good citizenship implies more than a mere negative goodness, merely refraining from law breaking of any sort. Duties of a positive nature are imposed and these are incumbent upon us as a part of our Masonic obligation. It can be insisted that we are bound, even more than others, to support the institutions of the Republic and to uphold the American Ideal and principles. That such institutions and principles are akin, in very essence, to the ideas and ideal of Masonry, is plain to those within and without the Fraternity.

"Our ideals must become the World's Ideals."

The Grand Master rendered the following decision, which, however, was not subsequently ratified by Grand Lodge:

"When a Master Mason's daughter marries a profane she loses rights as a daughter of a Master Mason and the death of her husband does not restore said rights."

This Grand Lodge has a Masonic Home which cares for 118 children and 37 adults. The cost of operating the home for the last ten months was \$34,708.07. The cost per capita, per month, is about \$19.73.

This Grand Lodge adopted the following Declaration of Masonic faith as to God and the Holy Bible:

A. We believe in God, that He is the Father of us all and that He is the Creator of Heaven and Earth, and all things therein. We believe, as we teach, that we should reverence and adore Him and implore His aid in all our laudable undertakings, and esteem Him as the Chief Good.

B. We believe, as we teach, that no atheist can be made a Mason, and that no one should be made a Mason without a profession of belief in God.

C. We cannot affiliate, masonically, with one who denies the existence of God.

D. We believe that the Holy Bible, the First Great Light in Masonry, is more than a symbol. We believe, as we teach, that the Holy Bible, sometimes in our work called the "Holy Scriptures," and sometimes called the "Holy Writings," is the inestimable gift of God to man; that Masonry has accepted this gracious and divine gift as containing an expression of God's Will, and that its precepts are the rule and guide to our Faith in God, and our unerring guide in the discharge of our duties to God, our neighbor and ourselves.

E. We believe that God and the Holy Bible are essential to Masonry. Each subordinate lodge was requested to record this Declaration of Masonic Faith on its minutes and instructed to consider the same and report its action to the Grand Secretary, on or before the next regular communication of Grand Lodge.

This Grand Lodge heartily approved of the action being taken by the National Tuberculosis Association of the United States in its attempt to eradicate this dreadful disease from the country.

We note with pleasure that not only subordinate lodges but philanthropic individuals have established scholarships for the purpose of encouraging higher education amongst the children of their Masonic Home.

The Foreign Correspondence reported by Bro. Oliver D. Street, covers 185 pages and is the result of much careful reading and thought and is excellently arranged.

558 Lodges, Members, 37,217. Net increase, 4,679.

M.W. Bro. Percy A. Dixon, Moblie Grand Master

R.W. Bro. G. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery Grand Secretary

ARIZONA

The 57th annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Prescott, on Feb. 11th, 1919. Owing to the illness of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. E. A. Hughes, R. W. Bro. James Henry Barrett occupied the Grand East.

The Grand Master's address was a very concise report of the business transacted by him during his year of office.

This Grand Lodge is making a special effort to secure the history of Masonry in Arizona and has asked each subordinate lodge to prepare a concise history of the lodge, and for their benefit, Grand Lodge has printed a pamphlet entitled "Skeleton or outline of Lodge History," as an aid to the preparation of this history. We have embodied this outline with a view of assisting registrars of lodges in our own jurisdiction in the compilation of their historical register.

SKELETON OR OUTLINE OF LODGE HISTORY

CHAPTER I.

- Section 1—Geographical location, surroundings, history, population, development and general conditions, social and otherwise, of the community.
- Section 2—Preliminary steps to formation of the lodge. Names of the brethren actively concerned in the movement, and of those who signed the petition for the dispensation, or charter, their occupations, Masonic records and brief biographies. Other particulars of interest connected with them or the lodge in its early stages.
- Section 3—To what Grand Master or Deputy Grand Master the petition was presented, his action thereon and the date. Names of the brethren appointed Master and Wardens of the new lodge.
- Section 4—When, by whom, and in what building the lodge was opened under dispensation. Minutes of the first several meetings, or copious extracts or summaries thereof, showing how the new lodge started off.
- Section 5—Where, and by whom and in what building, was the lodge constituted? Names of its officers given in the charter and installed, minutes or summary thereof and the social or other functions incident to the occasion (if any).
- Section 6—Any facts of general Masonic, historical or local interest connected with the experiences and progress of the lodge and of Masons in the community. Copious summaries of the minutes might be of service.

CHAPTER 2.

- Section 1—List of all the Worshipful Masters of the lodge and the year in which each was elected and installed, in chronological order.
- Section 2—A roll, in chronological order, of all the members of the lodge since its first organization, those "made" Master Masons by the lodge in one column, those affiliated in another.
- Section 3—A list of all brethren who have died while members of the lodge, with date of death, and noting observance of the burial service (if any), with names of officers performing same and other brethren present.
- Section 4—All traditions of interest connected with the lodge, especially in the early days, and contemporaneous events in the community in which the lodge or any of the brethren were directly or indirectly concerned.

CHAPTER 3.

- Section 1—Note time and circumstances connected with each visit of a Grand officer, including the District Deputy Grand Master, to the Lodge and the social functions (if any) incident thereto.
- Section 2—Biographical sketches of other prominent and deserving members of the lodge, past and present, but avoiding fulsome praises of the living.

Section 3—Special mention of any member or members of the lodge who have held office in any of the Grand Bodies of Masonry in Arizona or elsewhere (before coming here), or in the public service, local, State or National.

CHAPTER 4.

Section 1—Accounts, with dates and full particulars, including officers, members present, etc., of all notable functions or events in the lodge, public or private, such as:

- (a) St. John's Day Celebrations and public installations.
- (b) Corner-stone ceremonies.
- (c) Any others, Masonic, patriotic, etc.

The following resolution was passed with regard to the recognition of Grand Bodies of France:—

1. If there be found in the archives of this Grand Lodge a request for recognition from the Grand Orient of France, or the Grand Lodge of France, or if such request be hereafter made, the Grand Master is authorized and empowered to declare this Grand Lodge to be in fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France, or the Grand Lodge of France, and to exchange Grand Representatives, if desired.

2. That permission is hereby given to all brothers of our obedience to hold Masonic communication with any regular lodge of Freemasons in France, and Lodges of this jurisdiction are enjoined to receive and welcome all regular brother M.M. hailing from a regular lodge in France.

While this Grand Lodge approved of the action of the Grand Master in the granting of a dispensation to confer three degrees of Masonry on a candidate at the request of a foreign jurisdiction during the war, yet they recommended that such action should not be taken as a precedent.

We are in accord with the decision of the Grand Lodge of Arizona in this regard. In our opinion all petitioners should at least receive their first degree in their own Grand Jurisdiction before asking for this favor from the sister jurisdictions. The reason is quite obvious.

M.W. Bro. J. H. Barrett, DouglasGrand Master
V.W. Bro. G. J. Roskrugs, TusconGrand Secretary

BRITISH COLUMBIA

The forty-eighth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia was held in the City of Vancouver, on the 19th day of June, 1919. M.W. Bro. John Shaw, Grand Master, presided.

Two emergent Communications were held during the year, one for the purpose of determining whether or not the warrant of a certain lodge should be revoked. The suspension of the warrant was continued until the annual communication when it was declared revoked, and the name of the lodge erased from the rolls of Grand Lodge.

In addition to the Grand Master's address Deputy Grand Master Willis submitted a very complete report showing that he was quite active during the year.

Relief paid to members, \$1,276.20. Relief to widows and orphans, \$1,149.35. Relief to transients, \$3,455.42, making a total of \$6,683.62 spent for relief during the year.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters with two exceptions are very complete and are doubtless of much interest to the brethren of the lodges in these districts.

One lodge has adopted a French orphan of eight years of age.

We are pleased to note the formation of a small Masonic library in some lodges, where Masons are urged to begin Masonic reading.

Due caution was also given to the necessity of locking up in the sacred repository of their hearts, the transactions of the lodge.

The Committee on Jurisprudence submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:—

"It having been established that Germany and Austria began the terrible war now about to be brought to a victorious close by the signing by Germany of a peace dictated by the Allied Powers, and it having been proven that they, having violated every law of God and man in trying to force their will upon the world, and this Grand Lodge having severed all fraternal relationship with German and Austrian Lodges, we recommend that our membership be further advised that in all applications received by constituent lodges for initiation and affiliation from those of enemy alien birth, due caution be exercised by and through Freemasonry's foundation stone, the ballot.

78 Lodges. Membership, 7,963. Net increase, 12.

M.W. Bro. S. J. Willis, VancouverGrand Master
R.W. Bro. W.A. DeWolfe Smith, New Westminster.....Grand Secretary

CALIFORNIA

The 70th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California was held in the City of San Francisco, on Oct. 14th, 1919. M.W. Bro Bradford Webster, Grand Master.

Grand Master Webster and P.G.M. Hervey attended the Masonic Celebration of Peace held in London, on June 27th. They presented a trowel suitably engraved as a gift from the Lodges of California to the Mother Grand Lodge. They spent considerable time in the study of English methods of raising revenues for their poor, and heartily commend their manner of teaching their members the glory of giving voluntarily.

We are pleased to include herewith the following sketch of the English charities set forth by the Grand Master in his report:—

"The Royal Masonic Institute For Girls, located at Clapham Junction, London: Number in institution, 377; girls out-educated and maintained, 328. Expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1918, \$200,000. The expenses include girls' holiday travelling expenses, \$3,200; for gratuities and outfits to girls leaving the school, \$1,700; girls educated and maintained out of the school, \$50,000; office expense, \$26,000; and pensions to former governesses, \$3,000. It is of interest to note that of the office expenses, \$13,000 go to salaries, and \$1,600 are paid for votes of thanks to Stewards who assist largely in promoting yearly subscriptions to the Institution.

The fixed income of this Institution is \$55,000, and the donations last year amounted to \$300,000. Unexpected balances are invested, and go to swell the fixed income. Lodges are not taxed for the maintenance of the Institution, it depending entirely, as above indicated, on voluntary donations from Lodges, Chapters, etc., and from individual Masons. Some money is received yearly from legacies. The form of bequest adopted and found to be legally sufficient, is as follows:—

"I give and bequeath unto the Treasurer, for the time being, of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, Clapham Junction, the sum of....., to be applied for the general purposes of the Institution."

Girls whose mothers desire to have them at home during the holidays are permitted to leave the Institution for the purpose, their travelling expenses being paid by the Trustees. Holidays are three weeks at Easter, six weeks in the summer and a month at Christmas. Other holidays are the last Saturday in June (ex-pupils' day) and afternoons of each Wednesday and Saturday.

No girl is eligible for admission to the Institution under six or over eleven years of age, and must be recommended by two subscribers and the Master and Wardens of a Lodge; or unless her father has been a member of a lodge under the English Constitution for seven years. "No girl shall remain after the age of sixteen years, except upon the recommendation of the Head Mistress and with the approval of the House Committee."

If it be shown that any girl in the Institution exhibits marked talent for a particular branch of education, calculated to be practically useful to her in after life, the Trustees have discretionary power to afford such girl the means of extra instruction. Under this rule many girls are sent to other schools.

Children under the age of six, who require Masonic aid, are looked after by the Board of Benevolence.

Before any girl is received into the Institution, a written guarantee must be given by two responsible householders, to remove her if required by the Trustees, to receive her upon leaving, and in case of death, to bury her free of expense to the Institution.

Girls are admitted to the benefits of the Institution for "out-education" and maintenance on practically the same terms and conditions as those who elect to attend the school at Clapham.

Daughters of Jewish parents may be educated out of the Institution if their guardians so desire.

All the members of the resident staff received their early education in the school. The girls receive a sound education, including hospital nursing, shorthand, typewriting, pianoforte, singing, swimming, and calisthenics, and are employed by turns in the domestic duties of the house. Great pains are taken to render them skilful in needlework, dressmaking and practical cookery. Dinners served to the Trustees are cooked by the girls, and the principal dishes bear the names of the girl cooks. The Trustees always call on the girls after dinner and praise—or censure—each dish and girl.

The Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, at Bushey, Hertfordshire: The Institution for boys is supported largely in the same way as the Institution for girls—by voluntary contribution from Masonic bodies and from Masons. Nearly eight hundred boys receive the benefits of the Institution, of which four hundred are at Bushey, the others—being between the ages of six and

ten are receiving "out-education" so-called, many of them being with their mothers. The conditions of admission are much the same as at the Institution for girls, sixty-odd boys beyond fifteen years of age are being returned this year for higher education. The fixed income of this Institution is about \$50,000 a year; the ordinary annual expenditure is about \$210,000 and not less than \$160,000 is required to be raised each year by voluntary contributions. At the annual festival in May, 1919, the donations to the Boys' Institution aggregated \$435,000. The boys are well cared for, and sent out from the Institution well equipped to battle with life and be self-supporting members of society. Through Scholarship Funds a considerable number of boys are sent to the best universities and technical schools.

The Masonic Benevolent Institution at Croydon provides for and pays annuities to aged Masons and the widows of Masons. No Mason is eligible under the age of sixty years, nor unless a member of his lodge for at least fifteen years, and whose income is in excess of \$150.00 a year. And no widow is eligible under the age of sixty years whose income is more than \$150.00 a year, nor unless her husband had been a member of a lodge for ten years. This Institution costs about \$150,000 a year, and all the funds are raised by yearly donations.

In addition to the three charities above mentioned, there is the Board of Benevolence, associated directly with Grand Lodge, intrusted with a special fund raised annually, devoted solely to relief. Brother John White, Deputy Past Grand Master for Kent, is Chairman of the Committee charged with raising funds for this benevolence for the coming year, and he told me he had been directed to raise one hundred thousand dollars from the brethren for this purpose. He furthermore told me he would raise the money by merely telling the brethren, at Lodge meetings, of the needs of the Board of Benevolence and of the opportunity of the members to do their plain duty—and that he had no doubt or fear but he would secure the full amount desired. He said he would not exhort nor beg, but simply give his brethren their chance to exercise this blessed privilege.

To summarize the voluntary yearly donations of English Masons, as shown by last year's receipts:—

To the Board of Benevolence	\$100,000
To the Institution of Aged Masons and Widows.....	150,000
To the Institution for Girls	300,000
To the Institution for Boys	435,000

A total yearly donation of\$985,000

This is exclusive of \$100,000 from lodge treasuries to the Fund of General Purposes.

The membership of the jurisdiction is about 200,000

These donations do not come along from wealthy members. On the contrary, they come from the great body of "average" Masons, who are taught from the day they apply for the privilege of Freemasonry that it is the glory of our Institution that its ritual and practice are to regard the human species as one family, and that to relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all Masons; that Masonry gives a foremost place to the privileges and obligations of practical benevolence; and that actual giving of something for the distressed brother, his widow and orphan, is an indispensable quality in all members of our ancient and honorable craft. The novice and members are enjoined that while benevolence is not only good quality of Masonry, yet they are urged to remember that it is the outward and visible sign of the inward and spiritual grace which exists in our Institution, and which ought to be the ideal of its members."

Grand Master Webster declined invitations to lay the corner-stone of Methodist churches, stating that he believed it to be well settled by their law and practice that the Grand Lodge should officiate only for buildings strictly Masonic or of a public nature, and, therefore he could not participate.

The Grand Master further says, "I have been the recipient of many suggestions and recommendations from the Inspectors and Masters of this jurisdiction, and probably the most urgent and oft-repeated is the call for more Masonic education, and that time be spared from degree work within which to receive it. I am not in sympathy with the so-called group plan of initiation; it has not been frequently suggested, nor do I believe that it will solve the trouble. It seems to me that except in times of stress, such as the preceding two years, it is within the power and discretion of any lodge to refuse to do an immoderate amount of degree work, and if candidates by reason of such refusal are compelled to wait a little longer for their degrees, such delay would only add to the dignity of Masonry and enhance the appreciation of the candidates."

The Grand Master concludes his brilliant address with the following:—

"In conclusion, then, it seems that so far as we can make a general recommendation, it should be along the line of emphasizing the social and fraternal features of our Order. If we can once get the great mass of the brotherhood to realize that there is nothing more important than the recognition of the common bonds of humanity, that the doctrine of brotherhood means in very fact just what it says, that we are all descendants of one Almighty Father, that we are linked together, in fact as well as in name, by an indissoluble tie of sincere affection, I venture the prediction that we will see the Masonic Order take its rightful place as a dynamic force in the Nation, and in the life of the people, and that it will command recognition not alone for its professions, not alone for the beauty of its doctrines, but deservedly for its solid, practical accomplishment in all constructive policies and endeavors for the uplift and unity of Humanity."

The Endowment Committee of the Masonic Homes of California reported that they had ascertained that the income from the per capita tax of \$1.00 per member per annum, has not, during the past year on account of the abnormal prices prevailing for every commodity, been sufficient to provide for all the necessary expenses in connection with these Homes. The Committee after carefully considering the whole matter presented the following resolutions which were adopted by Grand Lodge:—

Resolved, that on and after January 1, 1920, each petitioner for initiation shall pay to the lodge in addition to the fee required by the By-Laws the sum of Twenty Dollars, and each affiliate from a jurisdiction other than California, the sum of Twenty Dollars for the maintenance and preservation and perpetuity of the Masonic Homes of California. And each lodge shall pay to the Grand Secretary, at the time of payment of the annual dues as prescribed in Sections 41 and 80 of the Constitution, for each petitioner elected and initiated and for each affiliate, the sum of Twenty Dollars.

Resolved further, That all moneys received from such initiates shall be paid by the Grand Secretary to the Grand Treasurer for the use and benefit of the Masonic Homes.

Resolved further, That one-half of the sum thus obtained be set aside for the maintenance of the Homes, and one-half be set aside for permanent improvement, and that any surplus in either fund be allocated by the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Homes of the Endowment Fund.

Resolved further, That the Jurisprudence Committee be instructed to present to the Grand Lodge such amendments to the Constitution as to make this resolution effective.

This Grand Lodge, like many others, has been considering seriously the matter of Life Membership, in view of the fact that increased dues are necessary in order to maintain the work of Benevolence.

The Grand Lecturer stated that many requests had been suggested that some revision of the ritual be made, if possible, so to do without making material changes, to the end that degree work may be less burdensome on officers of lodges, and he moved that the subject be referred to the Ritual Committee with directions to shorten the work if it may be done without loss of dignity and effectiveness that distinguishes the present ritual, and without adding new matter, and to submit the results of such revision to the Grand Master and the other elective Grand Lodge officers for approval. It was so ordered.

M.W. Bro. Charles A. Adams, San FranciscoGrand Master
V.W. Bro. John Whicher, San FranciscoGrand Secretary

CANADA

The 64th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) was held in the City of Toronto on Wednesday, July 16th, 1919. M.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrobe, Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was present and took part in the ceremonies.

The Grand Master's address included a very fitting reference to the loss sustained by this Grand Lodge in the death of their esteemed Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Gunn, and also M.W. Bro. Sydney A. Luke, Immediate Past Grand Master.

The total assets of this Grand Lodge are:—

General Fund	\$178,398.02
Benevolent Fund	\$104,336.85

The following are some of the most important rulings of Grand Master Wardrobe:—

(1) A petitioner removed three or four days after reception of petition by the lodge. Rules that, if residing in another jurisdiction, the lodge cannot initiate him.

(2) A man who cannot lift his left arm without the assistance of his right hand is physically disqualified.

(3) Is it correct for the W.M. to put the lodge in the J.W.'s charge and for the latter to admit members without referring to the W.M.? Ruled that, while the J.W. should always make announcement to the W.M., who in turn will direct the J.W. what to do.

(4) A candidate resided a year within the jurisdiction of the lodge, applied for initiation, removed from the jurisdiction before the ballot was taken; some time after returned; ruled that he will be required to reside again for a year in the jurisdiction before his application can be received.

(5) It is irregular for one brother to hold two offices in the same lodge.

(6) Rules that a returned soldier who has lost his left leg at the ankle and wears an artificial foot is physically disqualified.

(7) A candidate who lived for three years and a half in Montreal and did not avail himself of the opportunity of joining the Craft, removed to Toronto and desired to be initiated before he had established a Masonic residence there. Ruled, that he must wait until he has been there for a year.

(8) Rules that there is no objection to the lodge summons being printed by a non-Mason, provided no information of a private nature is given.

(9) A candidate leaving the city temporarily for some months, may not receive his degrees within the regular time.

Warrants were issued for four new lodges during the past year, and dispensations were issued for the formation of thirteen new lodges.

\$35,725.00 were expended in Benevolent Grants during last year. They estimated an expenditure of \$35,000.00 for Benevolence during the present year. The Inspector of Benevolent Grants received an allowance of \$1,200.00 and a grant for extra travelling expenses of \$250.00.

R.W. Bro. W. M. Ponton, Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry presented a very exhaustive and interesting report. From it we excerpt the following:—

"The requirement of physical perfection referred to in one of the Charges, has received much consideration from the brethren in many, if not all, of the lodges this year. The wide-spread interest in this vital matter is shown by several notices of motion in regard thereto, to be brought before Grand Lodge. It is for Grand Lodge to determine the principle, but this Board of General Purposes feel it their duty to lay before Grand Lodge the decision arrived at in the mother Grand Lodge of England, and to submit the same for consideration. The exact official wording is as follows:—

"Representations have been made to the Board of General Purposes that cases of hardship may occur if no maimed person, otherwise fully qualified, is allowed to become a Freemason. The Board feels, that it is impossible to lay down a hard and fast rule as to the initiation of a candidate not perfect in his body within the meaning of Article 4 of the Ancient Charges, prefaced to the Book of Constitution. But the Board are of opinion that, when the defect does not render a candidate incapable of learning our art, there is no reason why he should not be initiated, provided he is able to understand our secrets and mysteries, and to explain or exemplify them when properly called upon.

"Each case of this description must be decided on its merits by the members of the lodge to whom the candidate is personally known, subject to the investigation and approval of the Master of the lodge, who is officially responsible that the candidate is in a condition to comply with the requirements above named, and subject also in Provinces and Districts to the sanction of the Provincial or District Grand Master, and elsewhere to the sanction of the Grand Master, after submission of the circumstances of the case.

"What induces so many men without solicitation to become Masons is often asked. Is it curiosity? If only that, it is never satisfied. Is it search for knowledge? Yes, partly, but also for truth which is great and shall prevail. Is it simply the gregarious instinct? Not altogether, though all lonely men desire to link up with those whose friendship will not languish. Is it a sense of littleness in the universe and isolation? Sometimes, for many men have prayed the Breton monosyllabic prayer—"O God, be good to me. Thy sea is so wide and my boat is so small." Human sympathy thrives on human intercourse, and all real culture requires a social atmosphere. Is it an appeal similar to that of religion? Is it because of the example of true members of the Craft who have poise without pose—who have neither artificiality nor affection, and who have pledged themselves to serve their fellowmen and to render loyal obedience to properly constituted authority? It is because men introspectively ask (as we all should):

"Am I a friend to as many men
As are good staunch friends to me?"

Whatever may be the inducement to enter within the veils, the older men grow, we know that the most beautiful regard that any man in the world can have is the gift of friendship—generous, overflowing, bountiful, real. Such Philip Gibbs found it, such will all true Knights of the Round Table find it. Yet we all realize soon or late, that "he who hath friends must show himself friendly," that life's blessing follows fellowship, and that he who puts most into Masonry draws most out of it, like the lights of the spectrum; and that the converse also is true, that to him who has neither the eyes to see nor the will to work, Masonry offers little. In the *mysterles*, wrote Cicero, "Men learn to live happily and to die with a fairer hope," and Galsworthy perhaps best expresses the true spirit of free outlook of Freemasons, when he pens the zest of life to be, "to do our jobs really well and to be brotherly. To seek health and ensure beauty." These are of good report "if there be any virtue, any praise, think on these things."

We have pleasure in quoting the words of M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed, P.G.M., and Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, with regard to Masonry in France:

MASONRY IN FRANCE

It is reasonably certain that modern Freemasonry was established in France in 1725 by adherents of the house of Stuart. It is not known what its ritual was, nor by what authority it was established. During the eighteenth century it experienced many vicissitudes and passed through many changes. It is not possible to trace its history with any degree of certitude, nor would it be profitable to do so if it were possible. Let us content ourselves by saying that at the beginning of the nineteenth century it was a fully organized body of the Scottish Rite, governed by a Supreme Council, and working the thirty-three degrees of the Rite from the first to the thirty-third.

About 1804 the Grand Lodge of France was established by the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite. Nominally it was empowered to work only the three craft degrees; but there is reason to think that degrees of the Scottish Rite were worked up to the eighteenth. It will be noted that this so-called grand body was an adjunct of the Scottish Rite, working by its authority and subordinate to it.

In 1904, we are told, this Grand Lodge became wholly independent of the Supreme Council of France, though it remains a body of the Scottish Rite.

The original constitution or declaration of principles of the Grand Orient of France contained the following paragraph:

"Freemasonry has for its principles the existence of God, the immortality of the soul, and the solidarity of mankind."

In 1877 that paragraph was expunged and the following declaration was substituted:

"Being an institution essentially philanthropic, philosophic and progressive, Freemasonry has for its object search after truth, study of universal morality, sciences and arts and the practice of benevolence." It has for its principles absolute liberty of conscience and human solidarity; it excludes no person on account of his belief, and its motto is liberty, equality and fraternity."

Thereupon all the English-speaking Grand Lodges, including the Grand Lodge of Canada, held that French Masons had abandoned the fundamental principles of the craft, and refused to maintain fraternal relations with the body which they held, had apostacised. That condition of non-intercourse has remained for nearly half a century.

Throughout the war now happily closed the French people have fought not only for their own preservation but for the liberties of the civilized world with courage and devotion which have challenged the admiration of humanity; and we are told that, because the French people have been patriotic, devoted and brave, French Freemasonry ought to be recognized, even though it has abandoned the principles upon which Masonry is founded.

Further, we are told that French Freemasonry has not abandoned anything essential to the craft. For the first printed English constitution declared that "though in ancient times Masons were charged in every country to be of the religion of that country or nation, whatever it was, yet 'tis now thought more expedient only to oblige them to that religion in which all men agree, leaving their particular opinions to themselves." And it is said that because of this, there is really no difference between English Freemasonry and French Freemasonry. To which it may be replied that, if there was no difference, there was no reason for any change in the French ritual or law.

The plain fact, however, is that an acknowledgment of the existence of a Supreme Being, and a declaration of dependence upon Him has always been in the English work. The very oldest English Masonic manuscript begins with an invocation to "The might of the Father of Kings, with the wis-

dom of His glorious Son, through the grace of the goodness of the Holy Ghost." In some form that recognition of a steady dependence on Divine Providence lasted till the formation of the Grand Lodge of England, when the distinctively Christian character of the invocation was abandoned, so that Jews and even Mohammedans might become Masons. But the solemn recognition of the fatherhood of God has never been abandoned.

So, too, it is practically certain that in England the candidate has always been obligated on the Volume of the Sacred Law. One of the old manuscripts tells us that "the manner of taking on oath at the making of Freemasons" was as follows: "Then one of the elders holds out a book, and he or they that are to be sworn shall place his or their hands upon it, and the following precepts shall be read."

The Harleian manuscript contains the following form of the old obligation: "There is several words and signs of a Free Mason to be revealed to you, wch. as you will ans; before God at the great and terrible day of Judgment yu keep secrtt & not to revall the same to any in the hears of any pson but to the Mrs and fellows of the said society of free Masons, so help me God xt."

If there are such things as landmarks in Masonry recognition of the Great Architect of the Universe and the presence in the lodge of the Sacred Law are landmarks than which none are more ancient. In abandoning them French Freemasons abandoned the very essentials of the order. And if they abandon the essentials of Freemasonry they must not complain if they are no longer recognized as Freemasons. If they wish to be again recognized let them return to the ancient faith and practice.

The present, beyond most times, is a time for prudent counsel and steady nerves. Masons should not be swept from their feet by floods of wild sentiment. There is no reason for abandonment of any Masonic principle, least of all for the abandonment of the foundation principles of the craft. The declaration of English-speaking Masonry is that neither "a stupid atheist nor an irreligious libertine" can be a member of the order. French Masonry changed its ritual in order that such persons may be accepted. So long as they hold to that practice it is better that they should be allowed to go their own way and keep their own company.

M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Toronto, Grand Master

R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Hamilton, Grand Secretary

KENTUCKY

The 119th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was held in the Masonic Temple, Louisville, on Oct. 21st, 1919, and was opened in Ample Form by M.W. Bro. William Carson Black, Grand Master.

He concludes a very extensive report, covering over forty pages, with these words:

"Today we are living in an era of unrest that is afire with the spirit of conquest at the sacrifice of human submission and human blood, while wheels of greed and graft travel through clouds of thunderous Bolshevism in tongues of destructive lightning, tearing into the darkness of an apparently helpless people in many kingdoms of the earth. The sunshine of a new day, however, is fast dawning upon an anxious and waiting people, and a new hallelujah will peal forth from the breasts of settled, prosperous and Christian nations."

Masonry will be given a chance for an acid test of its strength, durability and equilibrium in the affairs of men, community uplift and an aid to Christian fellowship. Its high ideals were the guarantors of our Republic at its inception, and no less today are we consecrated to keep this nation (and every nation where Masonry is established) off the rocks of disaster insofar as our authority to speak and act will go. This new obligation is thrown right at the door of our being. That we will heed it and meet it as an organization in moulding a sound freedom worthy of our traditions for this and other nations that are on the "Forward march" toward universal peace, pride and prosperity, I doubt not, nay, the vision of Masonry points not to gods of gold or demons of destruction, but rather to a divine mission of love that is the law of life, mercy and justice, and the foundation of every real success."

This Grand Lodge has a Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and also an old Mason's Home, both of which are supported liberally by the Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction. There are now 63 inmates in the old Masons' Home. Every Freemason or Masonic body is entitled to a certificate of Life Membership and to cast one vote in person or by proxy at all meetings of the members of the Institution, for each \$50.00 paid.

In the Widows' and Orphans' Home there are 33 widows, 152 girls and 166 boys, making a total of 351 in residence. Every detail of the health and physical and moral training of the children is carefully looked after. Complete reports from every officer in charge appears in the annual proceedings.

A committee has been appointed by the Grand Master to ascertain the cost and devise ways and means to raise the necessary funds to accommodate all who are entitled to admission to the Widows' and Orphans' Home, and also to make provision for diseased and helpless widows. This million dollar committee as it is called, have been very active throughout the year and expect to reach their objective within the next twelve months.

The Grand Master rightly rules that St. John's Day on Dec. 27th is a regular stated meeting and that any or all business may be transacted at that meeting the same as at any other meeting of the lodge.

A very complete report of the Masonic Peace Jubilee held during the last week of June, 1919, in the Royal Albert Hall, London, England, was included in the Grand Master's address. Amongst other things he says:

"The social entertainments for the week were royal and the visitors were given a most hearty and brotherly welcome and treated with the greatest cordiality.

"The different lodges held meetings every night of the week and the visitors were permitted to see the entire Apprentice and Fellow Craftsman and the Master Mason degrees conferred according to the English form, also the ceremony of installation of a Master. The 'work' and ceremonies are quite different from those used in this country. They are very much shorter and in many instances impressed the visitors as being better by reason of their brevity. Another thing which the visitors approved heartily was the brief speeches in response to toasts. Hence none of the occasions extended to the midnight hour."

Many prominent Masons are beginning to realize that the lessons of Freemasonry taught in the three degrees could be expressed in much briefer form than that found in many of the rituals of the present day, and the length of the ceremonies has considerable to do with the lack of interest displayed by many brethren who occupy the side seats of the lodge and take no active part in the ceremonies. Addresses should be delivered in the lodge room and speeches in the banquet hall should be brief.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence by Bro. William E. Clark, P.G.M., is interesting and instructive throughout. We regret very much that Alberta was not included therein.

M.W. Bro. Henry S. McElroy Grand Master

R.W. Bro. Dave Jackson Grand Secretary

LOUISIANA

The 108th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was held in the City of New Orleans, on Feb. 3rd, 1919, and was opened on the Third Degree or Master's Degree, in Ample Form by M.W. Bro. G. A. Treadwell, Grand Master. M.W. Bro. Laurence Wilson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was in attendance as a guest of this Grand Lodge.

Three lodges were constituted and 8 lodges were instituted during the year.

Some of the dispensations refused by the M.W. the Grand Master were as follows:

"To permit a lodge to receive the petition of a profane not yet 21 years of age."

"To permit them to rent their lodge room to the Woodmen of the World."

"To parade in regalia with other organizations on July 4th."

"To meet as a lodge in the open."

With regard to jurisdiction over candidates the Grand Lodge of Louisiana holds, "That it has exclusive jurisdiction over bona fide residents of the State of Louisiana, and when any such who have received any of the degrees of Masonry depart permanently from the State, it claims no jurisdiction over them; and on the other hand, considers that any citizens coming to this State, no matter from where, and under what conditions, who has required a residence and general qualifications required for membership in our lodges, he falls within our jurisdiction without regard to what the laws or usage of the jurisdiction from which he hails may be in this respect."

And also that, "No lodge shall receive the petition of a brother who shall have previously received a part of the degrees in another lodge.

without first having obtained the consent of such lodge, if the same be still in existence, and in all other respects shall proceed as with other applications."

Concerning demitted brethren, he ruled, "That the moment you grant a demit to a brother he becomes an un-affiliated Mason, at least to the extent that charges may be only brought against him and that he may be tried only before whatever lodge under whose jurisdiction he happens for the time being to reside."

This Grand Lodge has a Masonic Cemetery in the City of Orleans which is cared for by a Board of Directors appointed by Grand Lodge.

The oration delivered by Albert Pike on the annual communication of this Grand Lodge in the year 1858 was read by the Grand Master and printed in full in the proceedings of this year.

The sum of \$1,000 was appropriated by this Grand Lodge for the purpose of erecting a suitable monument to the memory of the late M.W. Bro. Charles F. Buck, who served as Past Grand Master for a period of six years and as Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence for over 20 years.

The Grand Master was requested to arrange for a renewal of fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Vera Cruz, and authorized to arrange for an exchange of representatives with the Grand Lodge of Yucatan.

The following resolutions contained in the report of the Committee on Work were adopted:

"That not more than five Fellow Craft Masons may be raised to the Master Mason Degree at any one communication of a lodge.

"That the third section or lecture on the meaning of the degree never should be omitted when the First or Third Degree is conferred.

"That when a lodge is called in emergent communication for the purpose of conferring either the Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft Degree, when the candidate or candidates have been duly elected, and no other business is to be transacted, it is permissible to open and close on the degree for which the lodge is called, and communication so opened, held and closed shall be legal communications of the lodge."

20,588 members. Net gain 1,144.

M.W. Bro. Rudolph Krause, Lake Charles.....Grand Master

R.W. Bro. John A. Davilla, New Orleans.....Grand Secretary

MAINE

The 100th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine was held in the Masonic Temple, Portland, on May 6th, 1919. R.W. Bro. E. W. Wheeler, Deputy Grand Master, presided.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge was held at Houlton for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple.

A brief communication from M.W. Bro. Silas B. Adams, Grand Master, expressing his regret that a serious illness prevented him from presiding over the deliberations of Grand Lodge was read. He states:

"The craft has enjoyed a year of marvellous prosperity, and we are facing a year of tremendous responsibility. The traitorous and vicious doctrine of Bolshevism had made its appearance in this free country, and the pernicious activities of the I.W.W. are threatening our free institution.

"No organization is so well equipped to combat the spread of this evil as in our own fraternity, and it behooves every member of the Craft to be ever watchful to detect and report any indication of its presence in our freedom-loving state, to the end that it may be stamped out and destroyed at its first appearance."

It was subsequently resolved by Grand Lodge that the report of the official acts of the Grand Master for the year, at such time when he may be able to make it, be incorporated in the records of this annual communication.

In a circular issued by the Grand Master to this lodge amongst other things he states:

"It is not legal for lodges within the State of Maine to confer degrees by courtesy for any lodge within that State."

The Committee on Jurisprudence presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That smoking, or the appearance of smoking, in the lodge hall, or in the preparation room, when in use for the preparation of candidates, in this Grand Jurisdiction, is hereby forbidden. Violation of this resolution shall be considered a Masonic misdemeanor."

The committee appointed to consider the matter of the proper observation of the 100th Anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of Maine recommended that special exercises be held on the afternoon of May 5th, 1920, and that P.G.M. Chase be invited to deliver an historical address, and P.G.M. Johnson, an oration. They also recommended that a suitable souvenir be provided for the occasion.

This report contains complete regulations of the Charity Fund of this Grand Lodge.

A very complete review of our proceedings for 1918 appearing in the report on Foreign Correspondence by M.W. Bro. A. E. Chase.

This Grand Lodge has a membership of 33,386, being a net gain of 933 or 2.84 percent.

M.W. Bro. Silas B. Adams, PortlandGrand Master

R.W. Bro. C. B. Davis, PortlandGrand Secretary

MANITOBA

44th Annual Communication held in the City of Winnipeg, on July 9th, 1919. M.W. Bro. Edward T. Greenway, Grand Master.

The Grand Master in his admirable address makes the following observation:

"Perhaps I may be permitted to insert briefly at this point a few practical suggestions which it had been my purpose to emphasize on occasion of official visits. More and more is it evident that the success or failure of a lodge is closely linked up with the personality of the Worshipful Master. The practice of electing a brother to the ruling office of the

lodge merely because he has filled a junior chair is an unhealthy one. A year or two as an occupant of a Warden's chair should be regarded by himself and the lodge as probationary. Although it is important that he should prove well skilled it is essential that he properly interpret Masonry to his brethren. This demands more of him than the commitment to memory of his work. Along with the care in the choice of officers in our lodges, I should like to counsel as of even greater importance the most scrupulous supervision in the selection of candidates. Many are seeking membership and with the return of more settled conditions our increase will be larger than ever. The lodge which becomes tainted with the spirit of commercialism and has regard for numbers rather than material, is making a fatal blunder which results in injury to the entire craft. While it is impossible to make a rule determining qualifications for membership, I am of the opinion that an applicant should have proven his worth, and we are safe in taking the closest possible measurement, assuring ourselves that he has been a worthy citizen, a good neighbor, and has not defiled his soul's temple. And no one who profanes the name of God is worthy of Freemasonry. Brethren, guard well the portals of your lodges and in cases of doubt give the institution the benefit. Committees of investigation are in a position to render signal service, but too often their work is done in a perfunctory manner.

"Growing out of this is another vital matter, namely our assistance to those whom we accept as members. Masonry is a system of education and it is unfair that a brother newly admitted should be left to grope along the road to knowledge without a guide. Much of the inertia of which many lodges complain is due to a lack of definite programme in this regard. It is to be regretted that plans for the study clubs as suggested by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education have not received wider co-operation. This committee has given valuable hints and their usefulness in the future will depend largely upon the measure of support received from the constituent lodges. Personally I should like to see each candidate be the recipient of some concise up-to-date treatise on Freemasonry similar to the one used in the Grand Lodge of Iowa, compiled by Bro. Fort Newton. The future of Freemasonry is closely connected with and depends upon a uniform programme of education, and if we are to keep abreast of new conditions and new ideas our Masonic thinking must be stimulated and vision enlarged. I trust that for the coming year definite action in this regard may develop in all our lodges."

His concluding words were:

"Brethren, whatever of change the future holds for our Fraternity, and there shall be changes, I have the firm conviction that the pressing duty of the moment for you and me as individuals is to examine the brand of Masonry which we are wearing. Will it square up with or fall below the level of that fundamental principle enunciated by the Man of Galilee? In appearance nothing is more simple than the Truth which He taught as the Truth which makes men free; in reality and in practise nothing is more difficult than to extricate it from the complexities of modern life. During the past few years through national organization we have learned that for some things others can be substituted but we shall never find a substitute for brotherhood. The war has been a sterner teacher of the same truth which our Great Teacher proclaimed as fundamental and only as we accept that teaching can we hope to build and properly use what has been bought by the blood of men who have learned so much of brotherhood and comradeship in a way most of us can never know it.

"A brother whose writings have endeared him to the Masonic world has given us a beautiful word picture of the day when the Spirit of Masonry shall be universal. He says:

"When that spirit has its way upon earth as at last it surely will, society will be a vast communion of kindness and justice, business a system of human service, law a rule of beneficence; and the home will be more holy, the laughter of childhood more joyous, and the temple of prayer mortised and tenoned in simple faith. Evil, injustice, bigotry, greed and every vile and slimy thing that defiles and defames humanity will skulk into the dark unable to bear the light of a juster, wiser and more merciful order. Industry will be upright, education prophetic and religion not a shadow but a Real Presence when man has become acquainted with man and has learned to worship God by serving his fellows. When Masonry is victorious every tyranny will fall, every bastille crumble and man will not only be unfettered in mind and hand, but free of heart to walk erect in the light of liberty and truth. Toward a great friendship the world is slowly moving amid difficulties and delays, reactions and reconstructions."

I close my message, brethren, by reminding you of the great privilege and responsibility that is ours in seeking to properly interpret that true spirit of Freemasonry before God and our fellowmen. I trust that our efforts in that direction may be proportionate to the immensity of our task. The following note of optimism given us by a seer whose name is not known to me may be an inspiration to you as it has so often of late been to myself:

"The dawn is golden with the hopes of God
As earth swings down the paths of change again,
Beneath His busy Hand new worlds arise
Whose towers yet unfinished call for Men.

Our creeds forgotten and our dreams outgrown
Fade with a night—a grouping nation cries
For leaders in the dawn—Shall God look down
And find no vision gleaming in our eyes?

Through all the bitter dust and smoke of war
His patient fingers toiled and never ceased,
And dim beyond those meadows streaked with Death
The sunrise glistens on His age of Peace.

Be strong; the very earth's athrob with change,
This is an hour for men to toil and pray;
God's challenge echoes to the watching stars,
A world to build. And look; the dawning day."

The Board of General Purposes recommended that Grand Lodge provide and deliver to Life Members, upon request, a pocket card of Life Membership in addition to the regular form of Life Membership certificate, to be used for travelling purposes.

This Grand Lodge has \$112,645.45 invested in Bonds and Securities. The Committee on the Condition of Masonry has the following to say with regard to the formation of a Study Club among the members:

"It is the opinion of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry

that during the past few years there has been a considerable increase of interest in Masonic History. The historical and philosophical questions which have recently occupied the attention of Freemasons and which have been freely and extensively discussed in all parts of the jurisdiction, have proved valuable in a number of ways. It is safe to say that more has been done during the last three or four years in stirring up interest than at any time since our establishment was a Grand Lodge. Scores of members are pursuing the study of Masonry with great pleasure and profit. This study is carried on not as a matter of antiquarian curiosity, but in a proper spirit of critical enquiry which is bound to result in a re-valuation of the purposes of Masonry in our own country and elsewhere. Young men who are now entering Masonry are in a position to receive definite instruction and to form clear ideas upon certain phases of Masonry which received but scant attention in earlier days. This circumstance is likely to have its influence upon the future development and direction of Masonic activity.

We are justified in looking for growth and development in Freemasonry. Growth and development are inevitable in every living organism. It is true that there are those who seem anxious to hurry up the process of evolution and sometimes exhibit an unreasonable impatience with the slow processes of natural growth, and also with more cautious and leisurely folk who believe that Freemasonry development should be along native lines. Healthful activity and effective work in regular and constitutional ways and within limits indicated by the old landmarks form an excellent criterion of the true condition of Freemasonry in any Jurisdiction."

At the last meeting of this Grand Lodge a special Committee was appointed on the recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges. The following table gives a brief summary of the results of the Committee's inquiry up to the present time:—

(1) THE GRAND ORIENT. It appears that the Grand Orient imposes no religious test on candidates for admission and that the Grand College of Rites has eliminated and now discountenances all official and collective reference to the Great Architect of the Universe: while leaving every Mason free to entertain privately his own private convictions. It is the understanding of the Committee that matters of social and political import in the broad sense are discussed and debated in the lodges.

(2) THE GRAND LODGE OF FRANCE. There appears to be no religious formula imposed upon candidates; but the candidates for initiation is asked as to his faith or trust, the instruction in the first degree directly affirms the existence of a Great Architect, Author of the Universe, and the lodges are opened and closed and all the work carried on in the name of the G.A.O.T.U. The statement is made on high authority that the Grand Lodge of France in its effort to be absolutely tolerant forbids all discussion of politics or religion in its Lodges.

(3) THE INDEPENDENT AND REGULAR NATIONAL GRAND LODGE. This Grand Lodge is new and small. According to all accounts its aims, ideals, and practice are similar to our own. As mentioned below it enjoys the recognition of the Grand Lodge of England

The Committee are not prepared at the present time to recommend the recognition of any of these bodies. They are of the opinion that there is no pressing emergency; and as there is still certain information to be gathered they ask that action be deferred for another year.

The Committee on Masonic Research and Education presented an excellent report. They urge the formation of a Study Club in every lodge throughout the jurisdiction.

"With the view of indicating lines of study which might be profitably undertaken the Committee venture to suggest a few topics of general interest upon which papers and lectures might be given for the information of masonic students:

- (1) Physical qualifications of Candidates for Masonry.
- (2) Matters upon which new members should receive Special Instruction in addition to the usual Charges.
- (3) Should the scope of Masonic Lodge Discussion be enlarged to include political and social topics, namely, Woman Suffrage, Good Roads, Income Tax, Divorce, and the like?
- (4) The dangers of Publicity and Display in Masonic Affairs.
- (5) Should the Benevolent Fund be used to establish a Masonic Home or should it be disbursed in a more private and personal way?
- (6) Should loyalty to Flag and Constitution be more strongly emphasized in the Lodge and how may this be done?
- (7) The religious element in Masonic Ritual and Doctrine."

"The Committee further venture to recommend to the serious consideration of your lodge the advisability of making an earnest study of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge."

"They would respectfully urge upon all lodges the importance of the reports included therein. It would prove most interesting and improving if the Wor. Master have certain portions of these reports read in open lodge. In particular, the Grand Master's address, the Chaplain's address, and the reports on the Condition of Masonry, and on Foreign Correspondence contain much that is instructive and inspiring."

During the year a second letter was addressed to the W. Masters of lodges, as follows:—

"The Committee on Masonic Research and Education desire to call the attention of the Lodges to the following plan for a Lecture dealing with certain phases of local and general Masonic history. It has been proposed that this Lecture should be delivered by the I.P.M., to Master Masons one month after raising.

"The first section of the Lecture would deal with the history of the local lodge. The preparation of this part would naturally be undertaken by the past masters of each lodge.

"It might include a statement of the facts of chief historical importance relating to the foundation, establishment, consecration, work, and progress of the lodge. It might very well include the date of the Dispensation, the name of the Grand Master at the time, the number and names of the charter members, the names of the principal officers first appointed, and of the worshipful brethren in order who have governed the lodge since its formation, the number of brethren who have first and last been members of the lodge since its formation, the occasion upon which the brethren have assisted in ceremonial at the erection of public buildings in the vicinity, and any other public activities in which the lodge and the brethren have been intimately concerned.

"The second and third sections would deal with the history of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and of Freemasonry in general. The Commit-

tee hope to have outlines prepared and submitted to Grand Lodge for approval. These sections when complete, may be printed for use in the constituent lodges.

"The salient facts connected with the history of Grand Lodge would naturally comprise the date of its formation, the number of constituent lodges uniting to form Grand Lodge, the origin of these lodges and whence they derived their original charters, the names of the Grand Masters who have held sway since the foundation of Grand Lodge, the geographical area of Grand Lodge jurisdiction and the number of constituent lodges within the system before and after the formation of the daughter Grand Lodges of Alberta and Saskatchewan, and a general statement of our relations with sister Grand Lodges, and particularly our historic connection with the Grand Lodge of Canada and the Mother Grand Lodge of England.

"Upon this would follow an account of the formation of Grand Lodges in England, Ireland and Scotland in the early part of the eighteenth century, an important step which followed the revival of the ancient custom and practice of holding quarterly and yearly assemblies. Due notice should be taken of the fact that operative and accepted Masons united in the movement, the former being stronger in number and the latter in leadership, and of the ensuing rapid increase of the Order and particularly of the speculative element therein, this extension being greatly assisted by the assumption of organizing power and authority by the new Grand Lodges. With the foregoing as a basis, young Masons would be in a position to follow a discussion of the Masonry of the Middle Ages, and a variety of historical topics might be suggested, such as the Old Charges, the Manuscripts (Regius M.S. 1390, the Fifteenth Century Cooks MS., the Oxford MS, of 1436, etc.) Guild Masonry, Accepted Masons and the Like."

The following resolution bearing on the Liquor Traffic, was passed by Grand Lodge:—

"Resolved:—That the members of this Grand Lodge, realizing the economic advantages, and especially the social and moral advantages of the prohibition of the liquor traffic, express the hope that prohibitory regulations may be embodied in permanent legislation and declare that they are willing to suffer the necessary limitation of personal freedom in view of the great benefits to be gained therefrom."

A brief but very interesting report on Foreign Relations and Correspondence was prepared by the Chairman of that Committee. The topical plan has very much in it which is commendable, especially to a student who is making an exhaustive study of any one subject. I trust that our good brother may be spared to continue his work in the future.

Lodges.....; 7,881 Members; net increase, 281.

M.W. Alexander McIntyre, Winnipeg.....Grand Master

M.W. James A. Ovas, WinnipegGrand Secretary

MARYLAND

The 133rd annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Baltimore on Nov. 18th, 1919. R.W. Bro. W. S. Seipp, Deputy Grand Master was in the chair.

An interesting feature of the communication of this Grand Lodge was the emphasis given to the Musical part of these ceremonies.

Grand Master Chas. C. Homer was unanimously re-elected Grand Master for the ensuing year. In his reply he stated that he had conferred with Grand Masters and Past Grand Masters of other jurisdictions and was forced to conclude that two year term, service for two years, is in the best interests of the Grand Lodge. Many other Grand Jurisdictions have come, or are now coming to a similar conclusion.

There are 20,638 members of this Grand Lodge, or a net gain of 1,155 for six months. The regular attendance at their regular communication is 27% of the membership.

M.W. Bro. Chas. C. Homer, Baltimore Grand Master
R.W. Bro. George Cook, Baltimore Grand Secretary

MASSACHUSETTS

Quarterly communications of this Grand Lodge were held during the year. A special communication was held in S. Boston on Sunday, Feb. 16th, 1919, for the purpose of participating in the observation of Washington's birthday, annually held by the Masonic bodies meeting in South Boston.

The address of Grand Master Abbott contains these words:—

"So closely is the biography of Washington interwoven and related to the early history of our Country that it almost defies a separation. It was he more than any other man who established the nation and created a government—the first to raise the provincial or colonial spirit and to reach a broad concept of national life and character.

He was born one hundred and eighty-seven years ago and died one hundred and twenty years ago. He was elected to receive the degrees in Freemasonry when he was but twenty years of age, as was permitted under Masonic authority at that time. He, therefore, had the benefit of Masonic teaching and inspiration during all of his mature years. The influence of his sturdy and constant devotion to high standards and Masonic ideals was not confined to the limits of his earthly presence, but has spanned and shed its fragrance over nearly a century and a quarter since he passed away and is today a vitalizing and uplifting force in the hearts and souls of men. His concept of our Institution was given in a letter in which he wrote as follows:

'Being persuaded that a just application of the principles on which the Masonic Fraternity is founded must be promotive of virtue and public prosperity, I shall always be happy to advance the interests of the Society, and be considered by them a deserving brother.'

It affords me supreme delight to be able to claim Washington as really a Massachusetts Mason because of the fact that the Lodge in Fredericksburg, Virginia, in which he received his degrees, was then acting and existing under a Dispensation granted by Thomas Oxnard, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. This seems not to be as generally known even by our own brethren.

Those with whom Washington was associated and surrounded in the formation and foundation of our Government were very generally Masons

A majority of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and nearly all of the staff officers of General Washington were members of our Institution. All through the Constitution of the United States can be seen the reassertion of Masonic principles as long laid down and established by eminent and accepted Masonic authority.

During the time that Washington was in command of the army, and in the years following, he was made an honorary member of several lodges and was a constant attendant at the lodge meetings held by the army or travelling lodges as they were called at that time. His presence at these meetings has been amply authenticated.

Washington was the first Worshipful Master of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22, of Alexandria, Virginia (in 1788). At the next annual meeting he was re-elected Master.

It was in April, 1789, that he was inaugurated the first President of the United States, and it is to us a very interesting fact that at that time he was still W. Master of his lodge, and also that he took his oath of office as President upon the Bible of Saint John's Lodge, of New York, and that the oath was administered by Grand Master Livingstone, of New York.

During Washington's second term of office as President the cornerstone of the Capitol at Washington was laid by him in full Masonic regalia and ceremonial.

Soon after he retired from the Presidential chair the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts sent him a fraternal address.

News of Washington's death in December, 1799, did not reach Boston until two weeks after it occurred. This seems almost unbelievable in the light of present day accomplishment in the transmission of uncensored news. Dr. Dick who was his family and attending physician during his last illness was the Master of Alexandria Lodge at the time.

One of the most precious possessions of our Grand Lodge—so precious that each Grand Master is held responsible for its safe keeping—is a lock of Washington's hair sent to our Grand Lodge by his widow soon after his death. This memento is preserved in a little urn made for the purpose by Paul Revere, with his own hands, himself a Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

Commemorative funeral services were held by our Grand Lodge in February after his death, and sixteen hundred Masons were in the line of the procession through the streets of Boston, each wearing a medal bearing the legend, "He is in glory, the world in tears."

Washington was possessed of extraordinary personal courage, self-control, and self-reliance, and he brought into every relation in life a mind of rich and rare endowment, a heart full of compassion, a nature as modest, tender and gentle as that of a child.

He was the embodiment of National and Masonic ideals and his name has become the enshrinement of the principles and rugged virtues he upheld.

In this jurisdiction a voluntarily un-affiliated Mason is not entitled to the benefits and privileges of Masonry or to visit a lodge if he has been unaffiliated for more than a year.

Their Constitution provides that a rejected applicant may not be balloted for in five years in any other lodge than that which rejected him, without a recommendation from the rejecting lodge.

The Grand Master ruled that only one who was qualified and been installed as a Master could raise a candidate or occupy a Master's chair in a lodge other than his own.

242 lodges in this jurisdiction contributed \$153,366.92 to their War Relief Fund.

A special communication of Grand Lodge was held for the purpose of celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Norfolk Union Lodge. The historical address was delivered by W. Bro. V. C. Granger and must have been highly entertaining to the brethren.

The following reference was made to the anti-Masonic movement which took place about 100 years ago:—

"This certifies that the meetings of Norfolk Union Lodge have been much neglected and for the most part wholly suspended for two years, '33 to '38, but the spirit of our fathers becoming once more aroused in the breast of a few of the brethren, a meeting was called, the dues to the Grand Lodge were paid, and a mutual pledge was given by the brethren present that they would be no longer browbeaten from their duty by Cries of Persecuting Anti-Masons, nor be frightened from assembling themselves together by the Ghost of William Morgan, but with cheerful hearts and clear heads have made a firm resolution to stand by and uphold the Institution of Masonry, whatever or whoever oppose, and if it dies through the abandonment of its members, Norfolk Union Lodge will claim the privilege of at least becoming one of its pall-bearers."

This Grand Lodge became a member of the Masonic Service Association of the United States. The object of this organization is to enable the Craft in the United States by means of further organization and co-operation to render services in time of need more promptly and efficiently, as well as to widen and strengthen the beneficent influence of Masonry.

Grand Master Abbott in one of his famous addresses which appear in the proceedings says:—

"I earnestly believe that Masonry must drop some of its ages-long conservatism and become a more practical and active agency in the settlement of the problem that now so vitally concerns not only the life of our nation, but the happiness and welfare of all its people.

The principles of our Institution translated into practice furnish the only sure remedy for the ills of society.

Aside from churches, Masonry is today the greatest patriotic organization in America, the sturdiest bulwark of righteousness, the foremost champion and defender of constitutional government, of liberty under the law. We have been the pioneers in education, in human enlightenment, and in the advance of civilization."

R.W. Bro. Hamilton, Grand Secretary, who represented this Grand Lodge at the Peace Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of England, makes the following reference with regard to speeches by visiting brethren:—

"There were no speeches such as we are accustomed to under similar circumstances." It might be noted in this connection that our English brethren make fewer and much shorter speeches than we. A man who speaks more than five minutes is considered a bore."

Referring to the importance of this celebration Bro. Hamilton says:—

"Our British brethren had planned and carried out successfully something very great and wonderful, but their accomplishment was a spiritual and not a material one. It was a great achievement to bring together face to face the representatives of our Fraternity from so many different parts of the world and bind them together by the ties of personal friendship. It was a demonstration of the vast extent and real unity of Freemasonry as understood and practiced among English-speaking peoples. Out of it all came the realization of the great mission that Masonry has to perform in the world in the years that lie immediately before us, and of the necessity of a closer union in order that this mission may be performed. Be it understood that this union was conceived not as an external thing in the nature of any sort of General Grand Lodge, or Masonic parliament or any other device of that sort, but as a union of spirit and of purpose based upon a clearer common understanding of the meaning of Freemasonry. It was clearly brought out that wherever English speaking Masonry extends it is based upon three great principles: obedience to God; love to man; and liberty under the law; that Masons everywhere believe that these are not only the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, but the fundamental principles of enduring civilization. Every man present felt that it was his duty as a Freemason to do his utmost to inspire and help his brethren to maintain and propagate these principles, not simply for the benefit of the Order as such, but for the benefit of the human race."

The Grand Master has the following to say with regard to the abbreviation or omission of lectures in the E.A. and F.C. Degrees:—

"It has been called to my attention that it has become the practice in some lodges to abbreviate or omit the lectures in the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees. There is absolutely no warrant whatever for this and it must not be permitted under any circumstances. The Master of any Lodge permitting such violation of Masonic duty and requirement is liable to severe discipline. It only needs a casual thought to convince any one that the whole plan and purpose of Masonic degrees is seriously threatened by any deletions, omissions, substitutions, or additions to the ritual as it is laid down by duly and legally constituted Masonic authority.

The Grand Master condemns the indiscriminate practice of presenting the D.D.G.M.'s with gifts, by the lodges, on the occasion of his annual visitation. The spirit of rivalry seems to have extended amongst the lodges and each lodge tries to present the D.D.G.M. with a gift more valuable and costly than that occasioned by any other lodge.

This Grand Master adopted the following amendment to the Constitution:—

"An application that has been received by a lodge may not be withdrawn, but must go to ballot. If the ballot is favorable, the application may then be withdrawn with the consent of the lodge, in which case the status of the applicant is the same as before the application was presented."

258 Lodges in Massachusetts. 4 Lodges in China. 3 Lodges in Chili.
6 Lodges in the Canal zone. Total 271.

Membership, 82,410, being a gain of 2,096.

M.W. Bro. Edward N. West, BostonGrand Master

R.W. Bro. F. W. Hamilton, Cambridge.....Grand Secretary

MINNESOTA

The 66th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was held in the City of St. Paul, on Jan. 15th, 1919. M.W. Bro. William N. Kendrick, Grand Master, presiding.

With regard to the Masonic Service Association which has been formed by a number of our American Grand Jurisdictions, Grand Master Kendrick says:—

"Because, in this country, Masonry is divided into forty-nine separate jurisdictions with forty-nine diverse policies, we have lost one of the greatest opportunities that ever has knocked at our door. Let us not mourn over the fact, but profit by our mistake. Let us not be caught napping again."

He laid the corner-stone of the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument in the Court House square, in the City of Duluth.

Emphasis everywhere is being placed on the necessity of the work of Masonic study. In this connection the Grand Master says:—

"Now that the war is over and we can in a measure return to our normal pursuits, I wish again to call your attention to the great work that is being carried on by the National Masonic Research Society. This work, I believe, will be productive of more good to the Masonic Institution, if successfully carried out, than anything that has been done since the formation of the Grand Lodge of England.

"The course of study for Lodge Study Clubs, instituted by the Society, is most thorough, and I have no hesitancy in saying that if any brother will take up this course in earnest and spend but a few hours a month as directed by the Society, that at the end of this course he will be a better posted man than stands in Minnesota today.

"I cannot too strongly urge you to form clubs in your Lodges at once and get into communication either with the committee on Masonic Research of our own jurisdiction, of which M.W. Bro. R. E. Denfeld, of Duluth, is Chairman, or with the National Masonic Research Society of Anamose, Iowa.

"At our last annual communication a committee on Masonic Research were appointed to assist in the formation of study clubs in subordinate lodges, and to foster the work of Masonic study in this jurisdiction. While some good work has been done, yet I am certain that this committee was seriously handicapped by the fact that no funds were appropriated for its use.

You all know, that in any Masonic meeting when a brother can speak interestingly and authoritatively upon any Masonic subject, he is listened to with rapt attention, and the favorable comment after such an address only goes to show how interested all of the brethren are. I am sure a success can be made of this venture with the expenditure in each Grand Jurisdiction of a little energy and some money. This is such an important matter to the Fraternity that lack of funds should not be the cause of its failure and I respectfully recommend that a liberal allowance be appropriated for the use of this committee during the ensuing year."

Grand Master Kendrick, himself a returned soldier, has the following to say with regard to physical qualifications:—

"After all the attendant hardship, suffering and sacrifice of the war, after their glorious victory in behalf of civilization and right, are they

to be debarred from the privileges of the Fraternity on account of some slight wound which has affected them neither mentally nor in their capacity to earn their own livelihood? Is the operation of our present law debarring them to be a sample of gratitude with which we are to meet them? Is the slacker who sat at home in comfort and safety, and in one way or another evaded his duty in this crisis, to be held in higher regard by the Masonic Fraternity than the man who offered his life to uphold his country's honor? I for one say No."

There may have been a time in the "operative days" when these regulations were necessary, but in the speculative days of the science, not only are these regulations obsolete, but they are an absolute detriment to the Fraternity. There are hundreds of men in this jurisdiction today earning their own livelihood and supporting their families not only comfortably but in opulence, who are mentally and morally clean and who would make members who would be an ornament to Masonry and who would give much could they only enter the Masonic Fraternity, but are debarred by this out-of-date regulation.

Their number will be increased a hundred fold by the return of the wounded from the battle line, and they deserve consideration at our hands. We frankly inform our novitiates the internal and not the external qualifications of a man are what Masonry regards, and yet we have on our statute books a law debarring men for the most trivial physical defects."

A report is given in full of the organization of the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

"The object of this Association shall be the Service of Mankind through education, enlightenment, financial relief and Masonic visitation, particularly in times of disaster and distress, whether caused by war, pestilence, famine, fire, flood, earthquake or other calamity; and presently and immediately ministering to, cherishing, comforting and relieving the members of the Fraternity, their dependents, and other engaged in the United States Forces, in the present great war, wherever they may be stationed and upon whatever duties engaged in the service."

Grand Orator Nicholson delivered a stirring address on "Who won the War?" giving the Allies their full mead of credit for the part so nobly taken by each.

The Foreign Correspondence report covers seventy pages and is replete with interesting notation and references.

294 Lodges. 36,976 members. Gain of 2,748.

M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Stowe, WadenaGrand Master

R.W. Bro. John Fishel, St. PaulGrand Secretary

MISSISSIPPI

The 101st annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held at Meridian, on Feb. 25th, 1919. M.W. Bro. W. Laurence Wilson, Grand Master.

Grand Master Wilson paid a fraternal visit to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, which met in New Orleans, and was royally entertained. During his administration he issued 522 dispensations to ballot out of time and confer degrees on account of Military Service. He states:—

"I refused a dispensation for men 'expecting' to be called for Military Service."

"I refused a dispensation to 'lay a corner-stone of a Masonic Home,' it having been completed five years."

A certain lodge having become defunct, the members voluntarily donated their property for the use of the Endowment Fund of the Masonic Home. It brings an annual revenue of \$900.00 a year.

5,393 degrees were conferred by the 372 lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, or an average of over 15 degrees for each lodge.

A certain lodge wanted to take in some drafted soldiers and donated half the fees and asked if this could be legally done, the answer was that no part of the fees of a candidate could be donated, the main reason given for this law was that Masonry is not to be discounted either in fees for the reason that it was a privilege to be conferred by it.

An assessment of \$1.00 per capita is levied on all lodges in the jurisdiction for the maintenance of the Masonic Home.

With regard to the recognition of the Grand Lodges of France the following resolution was adopted:—"Resolved, that a special Committee be appointed by the Grand Master to consider the proposition looking to the recognition of the Grand Lodge of France; said Committee to thoroughly investigate all facts relative to the laws and customs of said Grand Lodge, especially as they refer to the Holy Writings, and to report their findings, together with recommendations to the next annual communication of Grand Lodge."

There is no Foreign Correspondence report.

372 Lodges, Membership, 21,743; net increase, 968.

M.W. Bro. L. A. Benoist, NatchezGrand Master

R.W. Bro. F. G. Speed, VicksburgGrand Secretary

MONTANA

The 55th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana was held in the City of Great Falls, on Aug. 20th, 1919. M.W. Bro. E. M. Hutchinson, Grand Master.

Bro. J. W. Speer, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was present.

R.W. Bro. Robert Hathaway who was then a major in the American army in France, represented this Grand Lodge at the Masonic Peace celebration in London, England.

Commenting on the establishment of Army Lodges in war time for the actual work of receiving petitions and conferring degrees, Bro. Hathaway concludes it to be inadvisable. He says:—

"While the minutes of Montana Army Lodge, No. 1, show an enviable record, we believe its brilliant success due to the individual efforts of the Worshipful Master and his splendid corps of Montana officers, who perseveringly overcame all difficulties presented by unforeseen transfers, changes of personnel, poor housing conditions, etc., and that Masonic activity should be exercised through the Masonic clubs (which, by the way, existed in every camp of any size), and through the Masonic fraternity of the country in which our troops may be."

In the Masonic Home of this jurisdiction there are 21 members from ages ranging from 62 to 89 years, 9 being over 80 years of age. This Home was opened in the fall of 1909 and during the last ten years has done much to relieve, comfort and assist the aged Masons and their relatives in this State.

There were present at this annual communication 9 brethren, each of whom had been over 50 years a Mason. Their photograph was taken and reproduced in the proceedings.

This Grand Lodge endorsed the constitution of the Masonic Services Association and became a member thereof.

Reports show that there were 2,040,659 Master Masons in the United States in July, 1919. New York has much the largest membership with 220,777 members.

Thirty-three years ago M.W. Bro. Samuel Word, then Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana, presented to his successor in office a signet ring of pure native Montana gold and stipulated that each year it should be handed to the in-coming Grand Master and this pleasing ceremony has taken place every year since that date.

An interesting review is presented by Bro. H. S. Hepner, P.G.M.

Membership, 13,811; net increase, 1,330; 113 Lodges.

M.W. Bro. W. L. Parmelee, ButteGrand Master

R.W. Bro. Cornelius Hedges, Jr., HelenaGrand Secretary

NEW BRUNSWICK

The 52nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick was held in the City of St. John, on April 22nd, 1919, M.W. Bro. Daniel C. Clark, Grand Master.

We are pleased to observe the names of W. Bros. Rev. A. D. Archibald and P. A. Walker, both residents of the City of Calgary for some years, and active in Masonry, recorded as being present at this communication.

This Grand Lodge has now a Fund amounting to \$19,000.00 for Benevolent purposes.

This Grand Lodge unanimously resolved to have a share of the establishing of a Protestant Home in the Province. They voted an allowance of \$400.00 to the Grand Master to meet the expenses of visiting and instructing the lodges and an allowance of \$500.00 to meet, in part, the expenses of any officers of Grand Lodge who might accompany the Grand Master on a visit to the United Grand Lodge of England.

It is interesting to note that in this Grand Jurisdiction the Grand Secretary has been appointed by the Grand Master, and not elected, as is almost universally the case.

39 Lodges, 3,983 members; net increase, 83.

M.W. Bro. Daniel C. Clark, St. John.....Grand Master

R.W. Bro. J. Twining Hartt, St. John.....Grand Secretary

NEW SOUTH WALES

Quarterly communications of this Grand Lodge were held during the year. M.W. Bro. William Thompson, Grand Master.

The proceedings contain a Roll of Honor of 2,942 brethren; active members of lodges, who enlisted with the Australian Expeditionary Forces, and also a list of 267 who have been reported as having fallen on the field of battle.

A War Benevolent Fund was established which amounted to £18,156. In connection with this Fund the Grand Master further says:—

“I am pleased to place on record the action of a brother of Lodge Leinster Marine. He returned seriously wounded and incapacitated, and asked only for £50 to enable him to purchase a hawker's cart. He got this, and just about 12 months afterwards called on the Grand Secretary, and insisted on returning this £50. He would not listen to any refusal to accept the money, saying he himself had done very well, and that the £50 would be of more use to some other brother who would return as he had done. Needless to say we will watch with the keenest interest the future progress of a brother who has proved himself a Free Mason worthy of the respect and esteem of every member of our Institution.”

This Grand Lodge permits their lodges to ballot together on two or more candidates for Initiation or Affiliation, and if there is a sufficient number of black balls cast, according to the by-laws of the lodge, to exclude, the Master then without declaring a ballot takes a separate ballot for each and every candidate.

M.W. Bro. Hamilton in introducing a resolution of loyalty to the throne quotes these beautiful words:—

“I know: I know—
The ceaseless ache, the emptiness, the woe,
The pang of loss;
Yet think of this—
He died as few men get the chance to die,
Fighting to save a world's morality;
He died the noblest death a man may die,
Fighting for God and Right and Liberty;
And such a death is Immortality.

Think! Would you wish that he had stayed
When all the rest the call obeyed?
Nay, rather thank the Lord that he
Rose to such height of chivalry.
That, with the need, his loyal soul
Swung like a needle to its pole—
That, setting duty first, he went
At once, as to a Sacrament.”

The following motion of which notice had been given, was made:—

“That in the opinion of this Grand Lodge no person of enemy origin, naturalised or unnaturalised, that is of any country, with whom Great Britain has been at war for the past four years, viz., Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, should be admitted into Freemasonry in any Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for a period of twenty (20) years.”

The M.W. the Grand Master said.—“Brethren, while personally as an individual, I am altogether in accord with the ideas of R.W. Bro. Moon, seeing that the conduct of the nations referred to has been such as will never be forgotten, and I am sure that for generations the very name of our enemies will stink in the nostrils of all decent peoples, yet I must remind you that we have duties as Freemasons to consider. Under our laws every Past Master is absolutely compelled to uphold our Ancient Charges and Regulations, and I, by reason of the office I hold, am particularly charged to see that they are properly enforced in this Grand Lodge. It is by virtue of this stringent adherence to the path laid down for us that Masonry occupies the position it has in the world today, and any Grand Lodge that permits the slightest infraction of the Ancient Charges, not only discredits itself, but does an injury to Freemasonry all the world over. Our Institution is universal; it knows no creed, sect or nation, and one of our Ancient Charges warns against introducing matters of quarrel within the doors of the lodge, and says:—

“We also are of all nations, tongues, kindreds and languages, and are resolved against all politics, as what never yet conduced to the welfare of the lodge, nor ever will.”

To these Ancient Charges and Regulations every one of us is bound to give allegiance, and I have therefore no option but to rule that the motion tabled by R.W. Bro. Moon is altogether out of order. Personally, as I have said, I sympathize with his ideas, but the matter is one that must be left to the private lodges. If any lodge cares to admit a German (though I cannot think that such a thing would be likely) that is a matter for the consciences of its members. As a Grand Lodge we can do nothing in the matter. I declare the motion out of order.

This Grand Lodge sanctioned and recommended that a Union Jack, or New South Wales flag, or some other national flag be displayed in each lodge.

329 Lodges. 25,980 members.

M.W. Bro. William ThompsonGrand Master

M.W. Bro. Arthur H. Bray, SydneyGrand Secretary

NOVA SCOTIA

The 54th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was held at New Glasgow, on June 11th, 1919. M.W. Bro. John Hay, Grand Master, presiding.

Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to R.W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, Past Grand Secretary; M.W. Bro. A. J. Wolff, Past Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. Thos. B. Flint, Past Grand Master. In accordance with their usual custom this Grand Lodge formed in procession under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the United Presbyterian Church where Divine Service was held, the sermon being preached by the Grand Chaplain. This service was held immediately after Grand Lodge was declared open, and before the reading of the Grand Master's address.

We quote from the Grand Master's address, briefly as follows:—

“We may then be pardoned if we glory in the great progress which

Masonry is making throughout the Allied Nations. For if true to its principles no Institution is so well fitted to assist the Church in its Holy Mission of propagating and developing the true Spirit of Brotherhood as is our Beloved Order.

"The streams of its Benevolence have flowed to every corner of the world, manifesting everywhere, unostentatiously, the principles of Brotherly love, Relief and Truth. Overleaping the artificial barriers of Nations, and the prejudices of race it has embraced all the peoples of the Earth.

"It really seems as if designed by the Great Architect of the Universe to unite the whole of mankind in one Common Brotherhood fulfilling in very truth the prayer and prophecy of our eminent brother the Immortal Bard of Scotland (Robie Burns) when he said:

"Then let us pray that come it may
As come it will for a'that,
When man to man the world o'er
Shall brothers be an a'that."

With regard to the Masonic Home the Grand Master says:—

"It has been in existence about ten years, starting with a few guests. It now shelters in the greatest comfort seven times the number; its capacity was doubled a few years ago at a cost of \$17,000.00. Living expenses have increased, but with the exception of a grant of a thousand dollars from Grand Lodge, its income is still based on a per capita tax of 50c. Some years ago the Trustees felt that to do justice to our honoured guests, the per capita tax should be advanced to 75c. This was voted down by Grand Lodge, which instead voted \$1,000.00 to supplement the amount raised by the per capita tax. This yields the Trustees, roughly speaking, \$4,500.00 coupled with a small profit from its farm wherewith to run the Home. In the last few years the expenses have steadily risen. Last year, with some new equipment, it cost about \$8,700.00. This year we have managed to reduce the running expenses by about \$1,000. For the exact details you are directed to the report of the Executive Committee, which will be laid before you. It will be readily seen that the Trustees cannot successfully meet an expenditure of, say \$7,000.00 to \$8,700.00, with an income of \$4,500.00. For the past year or two the Trustees have had to borrow money until the per capita tax was paid in May, each year encroaching on the following year's allowance. Last year the Grand Master told you that the finances of the Home needed strengthening and suggested some means whereby the necessary money might be supplied. However, no action was really taken by Grand Lodge to immediately strengthen them. When the Trustees met, on Sept. 15th last, the Treasury was empty. Believing firmly that the Masons of Nova Scotia would generously respond if they knew our circumstances, a discussion of ways and means ensued. I suggested informing the brethren of our financial position, asking them to subscribe \$5,000.00 to carry us to the present meeting of Grand Lodge, which was agreed to, and I issued a circular letter to that effect."

A mass meeting of the Halifax Masons was subsequently held and it was decided unanimously that a call for \$5,000.00 should be withdrawn and a drive instituted to raise the endowment fund to \$150,000. Although this campaign had been instituted only about six months, before the meeting of Grand Lodge \$43,000.00 had already been subscribed, notwithstanding the fact that the Influenza Epidemic raged during that time

We congratulate the brethren of the East upon the success achieved thus far and trust that their objective may be reached at an early date.

The question of establishing a Masonic periodical was referred to a special committee, appointed by the Grand Master, last year. This special committee reported as follows:—

(2) In the opinion of the Committee there cannot be more than one opinion as to the urgent need for and value to the Craft of a good periodical circulating among the members of this jurisdiction. Many who have been dimitted from their lodges in the past undoubtedly have done so because of loss of interest. A good Masonic journal, keeping in touch with the fraternity the world over, deepening their interest and broadening their knowledge would have probably prevented their loss to their lodge or at least lengthened their active Masonic career. Viewed from this standpoint the absence of a Masonic periodical in this jurisdiction has contributed materially to lapsed memberships, and financial loss to the lodges and the Grand Lodge itself.

The circulation of such a periodical would be productive of a renewal interest in every branch of Masonic work and study. It would tend to diffuse a knowledge of Masonic principles, make us better acquainted with one another and with the great Masonic world outside, and would spread the cement which binds us together into one Fraternity.

(3) Having in mind the value of such a publication, the committee feels that the greatest good be derived if it were possible to send the periodical to every member of the Craft, on the rolls of the jurisdiction. This would mean an immediate advantage in respect to advertising, and be of the greatest benefit to the Craft. The value of the publication as the official organ of Grand Lodge would be many times greater than if subscriptions were optional. It would not be necessary to pay commissions to agents to obtain subscriptions, and the cost per member would be substantially less.

The practice of sending every member a copy is universal with other fraternities, the members' dues including the small cost of the paper. It is not looked upon as a per capita tax. Bad debts are negligible; the contact between individual lodges and the official organ is made a real one; management costs are reduced considerably and deficits virtually eliminated.

(4) As to the special character and features of the magazine we are of the opinion that if published once a month it would best serve the interest of the Craft, and should, in our opinion, include among its leading features, editorials, the Grand Master's page, the Grand Secretary's page, news of the lodges, the review of recent Masonic publications, news of Royal Arch Masonry, Knight Templary, Scottish Rite, Mystic Shrine, news of other jurisdictions, particularly New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

The Committee has ascertained that 7,000 to 7,500 copies of a monthly publication of 16 pages made upon these lines can be issued for \$150.00 a month. This would serve only this jurisdiction, but as there is no Masonic journal east of Toronto, the Committee recommends that a committee be appointed by the Grand Master to take up with the Grand Lodges of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island the general subject of the publication of a magazine for the Craft in the Maritime Provinces, and to report at the next meeting of Grand Lodge."

The Custodian of the Work reported recommending that the authorized Work in this jurisdiction for the opening and closing ceremonies and the three degrees used be known as Ancient York Rite as practiced in the State of New York.

75 Lodges; 7,455 members; net gain, 331.

M.W. Bro. G. D. Macdougall, New Glasgow.....Grand Master

R.W. Bro. James C. Jones, HalifaxGrand Secretary

OHIO

The 110th annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Toledo, on Oct. 15th, 1919. M.W. Bro. Isaac Kinsey, Grand Master.

In the introduction of his admirable address the Grand Master says: "Guard well the doors of our lodges; let him who seeks admission prove his worthiness. The unworthy must not enter, and the unclean must be exterminated from our ranks. That man who accepts Masonry as a commodity to be purchased in the open market with no individual responsibility attending is, to my mind, wholly unworthy and Masonically unclean.

The day is at hand, my brethren, when the equality of men must be more uniformly recognized and accepted. The milk of human kindness must flow out in full abundance, man to man.

We must live for and with each other. We must scatter flowers along the paths of the living. Let us this day resolve to do it."

Also:—

"My brethren, I would call your attention to the great unfought battle which at this moment is raging in full force at our very doors. The propagandist is constantly working in the dark, endeavouring to poison the minds of men against their very best friends. They would have men strike down the very props which support them, they are filling the minds of men with hatred and envy for everything that smacks of good, they would tear down and destroy the Flag of our Country.

This battle is not to be fought with bullets or poisonous gases. It must be fought on every hand with kindness, with fairness and with generous consideration of our fellow-men. We must truly walk on the level with our brethren, meting out to them all that in fairness is their just due. We must live lives which would be worthy of emulation, lives of fairness and equality. I would urge every Mason under jurisdiction of our Grand Lodge from this moment to become a warrior in the cause of justice, loyalty to his country, and kindness and fairness to his Brother."

A unique photograph of twenty-seven consecutive Past Grand Masters appears in the proceedings. They are all living at the present time.

Over twelve thousand Masons of Ohio participated in the Great War.

If Grand Master Kinsey had kept up the speed of visitation which he carried out on one occasion when he visited no less than fourteen lodges in one day, he would have covered the majority of his jurisdiction during his tenure of office.

This Grand Lodge requires \$1.25 dues from its members. \$1.00 of which is expended on the maintenance of their Masonic Home which meets an annual income for this purpose of \$132,053.00 from this source alone.

A jewel was ordered to be presented to the retiring Grand Master, Bro Isaac Kinsey.

We congratulate our R.W. Brother Bromwell, Grand Secretary, on the handsome increase unanimously voted by Grand Lodge as a token of faithful and efficient services.

The report on Foreign Correspondence includes a very full account of the important transactions of our Grand Lodge last year.

Special reference is made to our Circulating Library which I am pleased to state is filling a long felt want of our jurisdiction.

560 Lodges. Total membership, 132,053. Net gain of 9,710 the largest increase of any year in the history of this jurisdiction.

M.W. Bro. Matthew Smith, ClevelandGrand Master

R.W. Bro. J. H. Bromwell, CincinnatiGrand Secretary

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

The seventh annual communication of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was held in the City of Manila, on January 28th, 1919. R.W. Bro. Milton E. Springer, D.G.M., in the chair.

There were present 115 members of Grand Lodge representing forty of the forty-three chartered lodges, and twelve brethren who were officers or delegates of six of the nine lodges under dispensation. There were also 37 Grand Lodge representatives of sister jurisdictions present which is highly creditable.

The Deputy Grand Master owing to the absence from the Islands of Honorable Manuel L. Quezon, Grand Master, read the annual address.

Bro. T. M. Kalaw, Grand Orator, delivered a stirring address and concluded his oration with these words:—

"Our present Masonry is full of vigor, full of promise and hope. Two years ago one of our most cherished ideals became a reality: union, harmony, true fraternity. I now see Americans, foreigners, and Filipinos march shoulder to shoulder on the common road. I see the evidence of your work in the progress of our Lodges and in the number and quality of their members. I see your strength in this brilliant and select assemblage, representative of the most legitimate glories of our ancient fraternity. I see that in the future all Masons, American, foreign, and Filipino alike, will, under the sole name of Masons of the Philippines, become more and more closely united in the direction of the moral destinies of this beloved country, in order to make it a safe place for liberty, justice and truth, and for the exercise of love and charity. But my friends, we must learn from our predecessors the lesson of their brilliant labors, their boundless sacrifice, their unsurpassed moral greatness, their superhuman clemency, and their lofty Masonic spirit, all for the benefit of their people and for the glorification and exaltation of a regenerated humanity."

This Grand Lodge like many others has a Committee on Masonic study and research that outlines the elementary course of Masonic study which they sent to all the lodges in the jurisdiction with the request that qualified brethren of each lodge would devote their spare time to the

work of study and research, and then enlighten their brethren by means of lectures or addresses, and for that purpose they outlined themes to be followed by these brethren, and suggested that each theme be divided into two or more lectures. The themes are as follows:—

FIRST THEME.

- (a) The different theories as to the origin of Masonry.

History—

- (b) Masonry before 1717.
- (c) Masonry after 1717.
- (d) Developments and achievements.
- (e) Special reference to Masonry in Spain and the U. S.
- (f) Masonry in the Philippine Islands.

SECOND THEME.

Legislation—

- (a) The Ancient Landmarks.
- (b) The Ancient Constitutions and Regulations.
- (c) The Charges of a Freemason extracted from the ancient records of lodges beyond sea and those in England, Scotland and Ireland, for the use of the lodges in London, to be read at the making of new brethren or when the Master so ordered.
- (d) The General Regulations compiled first by George Payne in the year 1720 and approved by the Grand Lodge of England on St. John's Day in the year 1721.
- (e) The Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands.
- (f) The By-Laws of the Lodge.

THIRD THEME.

Philosophy—

- (a) Nature, purposes and spirit of Masonry.
- (b) Exposition of its doctrines and principles.
- (c) Its sphere of influence.
- (d) Masonry and the State.
- (e) Masonry and Religion.
- (f) The Bible and Masonry.
- (g) Special work of Masonry in the progress of the Philippines.

FOURTH THEME.

Liturgy—

- (a) Study of the Rites.
- (b) The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.
- (c) The York Rite.
- (d) The Degree of Entered Apprentice; its philosophy, its teaching, and its symbolism.
- (e) The Degrees of Fellow Craft; its philosophy, its teaching, and its symbolism.
- (f) The Degree of Master Mason; its philosophy, its teaching, and its symbolism.

FIFTH THEME.

Symbolism—

- (a) Clothing.

- (b) Working Tools.
- (c) Furniture.
- (d) Signs.
- (e) Words.
- (f) Grips.

SIXTH THEME.

Government—

- (a) The Subordinate Lodge.
 - 1. Organization.
 - 2. Prerogatives, rights, and duties of the Master.
 - 3. Duties and powers of the other dignitaries and officials.
 - 4. Committees.
 - 5. The Lodge and the candidate.
 - 6. Rights and duties of the members.
 - 7. Visitors.
- (b) The Grand Lodge—
 - 1. Organization.
 - 2. Most Worshipful Grand Master.
 - 3. Other dignitaries and officials.
- 4. Annual Communications.
 - 5. Grand Committees.
 - 6. Income and its sources.

SEVENTH THEME.

Parliamentary Law—

- (a) Order of business.
- (b) Quorum.
- (c) Minutes.
- (d) The Presiding Officer.
- (e) Motions and order of precedence.
- (f) Questions and order of precedence.
- (g) Debate and decorum.
- (h) The vote and manner of voting.
- (i) The appointment and work of Committees.

EIGHTH THEME.

The Penal Code—

- (a) Discipline.
- (b) Penal Jurisdiction.
- (c) Offence, and its classes.
- (d) Accusation.
- (e) Designation of the tribunal.
- (f) Proceedings, hearing and proofs.
- (g) Decision.
- (h) Penalties.
- (i) Appeal.
- (j) Judgment against the Grand Master.
- (k) Judgment against the Worshipful Master.
- (l) Controversies between lodges.

The Committee recommended that the Grand Secretary be authorized and required to obtain from each lodge which has adopted the course of study, a copy of each lecture delivered, and that this document be led in the archives of the Grand Lodge for preservation and convenient reference.

The following address was delivered by P.G.M. Stafford, and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence for the following year for consideration and report:—

"I am satisfied that those of you who have children, especially boys, would appreciate the opportunity to dedicate these sons to Masonry. This is possible and a ceremony can be devised whereby a Mason could have his son so dedicated, and have it done by the Lodge of which he is a member in a public function to which the family and others could be admitted. The ceremony's influence would last to the boy's manhood, would teach him who his father's associates were, and would give him an idea of what Masonry means which could not be given him any other way.

The ceremony could be made very beautiful, and would be very popular, and would be very much used in the provinces. This is not entirely original with me, for in the very old Scottish Rite ritual there is the ceremony of adoption. It is obviously impossible to have the ceremony of adoption carried out with all the boys of the members, but it would be well and ideal for those of us who might desire such a dedication. One of the greatest satisfactions of my life was the adoption of my son by Lodge Sinukuap, and it may be interesting to you to know that in a recent journey to the United States alone and while in Chicago he became lost, he wrote me that "He found a Mason, it was all right then."

I therefore make a motion "That the Grand Master be authorized to appoint a committee to devise such a ritual, or ceremony, and to authorize the lodges of this jurisdiction, and empower the Masters of said lodges, to conform to the said ceremony.

"I would suggest that the boys be of sufficient age to understand the ceremony."

The report of the Committee on Correspondence by R.W. Bro. Newton C. Comfort is a highly creditable one, over three pages are devoted to Alberta, 1918.

52 Lodges. 3,533 members, or a gain of 639.

M.W. Bro. Milton E. Springer, ManilaGrand Master

R.W. Bro. Newton C. Comfort, ManilaGrand Secretary

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

The 44th annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held at Charlottetown on June 25th, 1919. M.W. Bro. L. M. McKinnon, Grand Master, presiding.

As soon as Grand Lodge was declared open the Craft was formed in procession and proceeded to St. James Church where a suitable memorial service was held in honor to the brethren who had made the supreme sacrifice in the great war. The Rev. T. F. Fullerton, D.D., P.G.M., conducted the service.

In the course of an excellent address the Grand Master says:—

"Not only is our Craft in a fairly prosperous and satisfactory condition, but there is every indication of a great Masonic revival sweeping over the world, and especially over the lodges in this jurisdiction. This is indeed good news, but the great absorbing topic, that is causing the

heart of every British subject leap for joy, is that the great world war is over, and that our boys, the backbone and sinew of our Island, are returning from the front by hundreds and by thousands.

"Twelve months ago, when you did me the exceeding great honor of bestowing on me the highest dignity within your gift, a dark cloud hovered over not only Europe, but the whole world. The most awful conflict the world has ever known was taking place, in which all the great powers of the earth were engaged. The tenets for which Masonry has always stood, and for which our forefathers so valiently fought, and fearlessly died, were trembling in the balance. The tyrannical mailed fist, and the steel shod heel of despotism were grinding poor stricken Belgium and bleeding France into dust. Cowardly, skulking pirates, with an insatiable lust for blood, sneaked beneath the waters of the sea, striving to gorge to repletion their fiendish propensities; even the peaceful heavens vibrated with the anguished cries and scenes of foully murdered women and children.

"All this has happily passed away like a frightful nightmare. Victory has triumphantly perched on the banners of the Allies; the principles of Freemasonry have issued victorious from the fray; women and innocent children can again dwell in safety; while the blasphemous cringeing tyrant, the author and prime instigator of all the carnage and slaughter, is cowardly hiding his dishonored head in voluntary exile."

During the year the Grand Master officially visited every lodge in the jurisdiction, and in every instance was accompanied by the Grand Lecturer, who reviewed the work and gave the brethren much Masonic instruction.

The Grand Master further states:—

"Besides the official visitations I made a number of informal visits to the lodges, in order to satisfy myself how the brethren were getting along with their work, and also to ascertain if they were carrying out instructions given them at previous meetings..

"I am happy to be able to report that although several lodges have not yet reached the desired state of proficiency, yet every lodge in the jurisdiction is exhibiting a marked improvement in their work. To find that the members of our subordinate lodges are making rapid strides towards uniformity and perfection in their ritualistic work is most encouraging to every true lover of Masonry; but it is far more so that so many of the Craft are beginning to realize, and to act in the knowledge that beneath the veil of our beautiful ritual lay secreted those invaluable instructions and precepts which, in the past, have made men who could attain to them the greatest of conquerors—by enabling them to hold undisputed sway over their passion prejudices and affections.

"Much more importance than hertofore is being given in our lodges to the matter of instruction. This being accomplished by lectures, addresses, reading of papers, and by the use of question boxes.

"During my Masonic career I have never heretofore witnessed such a keen desire for knowledge and information as is being displayed by the brethren in the present time, especially as exhibited in the search and enquiry after the real meaning and intent of the Masonic rites, ceremonies and symbols. Without any controversy it is the bounden duty of this Grand Lodge to devise ways and means by which these cravings of the craft for moral and intellectual food may be appeased."

With regard to membership he says:—

"Our membership roll, in spite of there having been an unusual number of deaths and suspensions during the year, still shows an increase of 9 members over that of last year.

"The fact that although the number of applications for initiation is steadily on the increase, the number of those rejected is on the decrease, might lead those unacquainted with the internal workings of the craft to imagine that the lodges have been letting down the bars and admitting the morally unfit. This, however, is not the case. The true reason is that the members of the craft in general are thoroughly convinced that Masonry is not in any sense a reformatory nor even a sanitarium for the restoration of moral defectives, and in consequence positively refuse to take in an application from anyone who is not moral and upright before God and of good report before the world. This is as it should be.

"The lodge which admits an unworthy person, in the hope of making him a good Mason, has as little sense, and as little chance of success, as the foolish maiden who marries a rake in the hope of making a man of him."

M.W. Bro. W. P. Douall, Grand Secretary for the past nine years, asked to be relieved of his duties, and has been succeeded by R.W. Bro. E. T. Carbonell.

This Grand Lodge has now \$5,986.22 to the credit of the Benevolent Fund.

The dues of this Grand Lodge are \$1.00 per member, 75 cents to be expended for Grand Lodge purposes, and 25 cents for the Benevolent Fund.

15 Lodges. 930 members. Net increase, 9.

M.W. Bro. Rev. J. MacDougall, Cape Traverse....Grand Master

R.W. Bro. E. T. Carbonell, Charlottetown....Grand Secretary •

QUEBEC

The 49th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was held in the City of Montreal, on February 12th, 1919. M.W. Bro. W. W. Williamson, Grand Master.

Bro. Williamson is Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, near the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

The Grand Master in the course of his admirable address says:—

"Out of all this re-adjustment of the world's affairs, the question presents itself with ever-increasing force as to the place of our Order in the world, and its further obligations to humanity. The thinking men of this and other jurisdictions are persistently asking themselves whether in the great wave of change now going on we can stand serene and undisturbed, or whether we should not place ourselves in the forefront as a united body in aiding the great work of reconstruction and readjustment, or, in other words, whether it is not our bounden duty in this grave crisis of the world's history, to aid our governments in the solution of such national problems as are entirely non-contentious and non-political.

"On the other hand, it is contended, and perhaps rightly so, that our absention from all outside questions has been the cause of our past success up to the present day. It is a serious matter to consider and weigh carefully and, if we are led by circumstances to extend our activities in a greater degree for humanity at large, we shall also require men of vision to guide us in the days to come.

"Personally, I feel that there are some important national problems we might give our assistance, as a united body, in solving, without detracting from the dignity and conservatism of centuries. It, however, rests largely with the members to give the matter earnest consideration, and to decide whether we shall, in a greater degree than in the past, "Let our light so shine before men, that they may see our good works."

"It will be little short of the miraculous if the activities of our Order alone emerge from the melting pot unchanged, and still be able to attract to the Fraternity the best of our people."

The total receipts from the lodges amount to \$11,198.00. Of this amount \$4,558.75 was on account of the permanent Benevolent Fund. This Grand Lodge has assets amounting to \$116,857.84, all of which, excepting \$4,458.82, is reserved for Benevolent purposes.

This Grand Lodge has had under consideration for some time the question of Life Membership. Inspection of the returns for the year 1917 revealed the fact that in a number of lodges the proportion of Life Members to the total was between twenty and thirty per cent, and in one case out of a total membership of 229 the Life Members numbered 75, or about one-third of the total. The revenue in such lodges must be greatly reduced owing to the granting of Life Membership unless some provision be made for accumulating a fund to provide an annual revenue which will offset the falling off in dues.

The Committee recommended that the Constitution be amended to include the following clauses:—

1. That in addition to any amount payable to his lodge for the privilege of Life Membership, the member shall pay to Grand Lodge the sum of Ten Dollars (instead of Five Dollars as at present.)

2. That if the period during which dues have been paid to Grand Lodge on behalf of such member shall have been less than twenty years, he shall in addition to the said Ten Dollars be required to pay to the Grand Lodge an amount equal to One Dollar for each year by which such period shall be less than twenty years.

Their recommendation was adopted by Grand Lodge.

M.W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, P.G.M., Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence presents a review covering 120 pages. His introduction deals especially with physical qualifications of membership and French Freemasonry, and should be read by every student of Freemasonry.

66 Lodges. 9,244 members. Increase of 387.

M.W. Bro. Arthur B. Wood, Montreal.....Grand Master

M.W. Bro. W. W. Williamson, Montreal.....Grand Secretary

SASKATCHEWAN

The thirteenth annual communication of this Grand Lodge was opened in the City of Prince Albert, on Wednesday, June 18th, 1919 M.W. Bro. Robert Young, Grand Master.

Dispensations for the formation of five new lodges were issued during the year.

Lodges of Instruction were held in nine out of the fifteen districts of the province. At each of these meetings the M.W. the Grand Master was accompanied by M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, and V.W. Bro. Cummings, Grand Chaplain. The Grand Secretary gave instructions in the Esoteric Work and all matters of a routine nature in which the lodges were interested; and the Grand Chaplain gave interesting and instructive addresses on Masonic subjects. Lodges of Instruction were planned for the remaining districts but had to be cancelled on account of the influenza epidemic.

The report of M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, is a very complete one and shows that he must have had a very busy year. He recommends that Grand Lodge take steps towards the formation of a Bureau of Masonic Research for the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and the Grand Master appointed a Committee to consider his suggestion. This Committee subsequently recommended that the Grand Secretary be asked to obtain from other Grand Jurisdictions information as to what procedure has been adopted by them along the lines of Masonic Research, and report the result to the Chairman of the Committee who will then advise the members of the result of this investigation and call the Committee together at a later date.

As an indication of the growth of this Grand Lodge we find that in 1911 they had sixty-eight lodges on the register and a Benevolent Fund of \$2,256.00, while today they have one hundred and forty-nine lodges and a Benevolent Fund of over \$82,000.00.

The Grand Secretary was authorized to prepare a form and obtain a complete list of members in good standing in each subordinate lodge, and it was also determined that such list should be obtained once in every three years in order that no discrepancies may be allowed to creep in.

The Committee on the Condition of Masonry presented an excellent report. With regard to the office of District Deputy Grand Master they state:—"Your Committee is of the opinion that the practice of rotating this office among the lodges forming a district should be discontinued, and the best men selected, regardless of their lodge affiliation. The office is a cost important one, and on the quality of the work of its incumbents depends to a very great extent the prosperity and usefulness of the lodge. A good District Deputy Grand Master has it within him to make of Freemasonry as a mighty power for the bringing out the best in the public and private life of the members of the lodge, while on the other hand, careless selection, made for the purpose of satisfying the aspirations of individuals or lodges, is more than liable to lead to results of quite an opposite character.

While on this subject your Committee would venture the following opinion, arrived at after a very earnest discussion of the difficulties surrounding the question. The opinion of your Committee is that the present method of selecting District Deputy Grand Masters is not the best in the

interests of Freemasonry in Saskatchewan. The D.D.G.M., is not, properly speaking, an officer of Grand Lodge. He is a District officer, and should be selected at the District meeting, and we make the following suggestions:

(1) That the Annual District meeting should be given constitutional status;

(2) That at each district meeting the District Deputy Grand Master be selected and his appointment recommended to the Grand Master.

By this method we are convinced that there will be greater certainty of securing good men for the office, as they will be selected from a larger number and under more satisfactory conditions than by the method now in use."

They recommend that in order to assist registrars of lodges in compiling their Historical Register, which has so frequently been neglected, that a committee be appointed to draft a set of instructions and suggestions for this purpose and that a copy of the same be furnished to every Secretary for his guidance.

They also recommend the appointment of a committee to co-operate with the Grand Secretary in drafting a form of report to be used by the District Deputy Grand Masters which they state should provide for such matter as is essential in bringing before Grand Lodge the information which it requires, in a clear and concise form.

The Grand Secretary asked that provision be made for the preparation of a new register and index system and that an appropriation be placed in the estimates for this purpose. This was granted. He also obtained permission from Grand Lodge to visit one or more Grand Offices before undertaking this work, in order that he might institute the most perfect system.

143 Lodges; 9,140 members; net increase of 854.

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams, AbernethyGrand Master

M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, ReginaGrand Secretary

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Adelaide, on April 16th, 1919. M.W. Bro. E. B. Grundy, Grand Master.

The Board of General Purposes recommended to Grand Lodge the names of several brethren as representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, near the Grand Lodge of South Australia, in lieu of the representatives who are either dead, not subscribing members of lodges or have not attended Grand Lodge for a number of years. Twenty such recommendations were made and confirmed by Grand Lodge.

It is rather interesting to note that the Grand Master after announcing that Grand Lodge was open to receive the names for the election of Grand Master, proposed the name of his successor and spoke at some length as to his worthiness for the office. His resolution was duly seconded, there were no other names, and R.W. Bro. Piper was unanimously elected Grand Master, and duly installed into office before the election

of the other officers of Grand Lodge took place. Bro. Piper had previously served four years as Deputy Grand Master of Grand Lodge.

The newly installed Grand Master in his address says:

"Regarding Freemasonry in general, I am disposed in the few words that I can say now, to guide your minds back to first principles I think sometimes—you may consider this odd from one who has made so many Masonic speeches as I have—that we may talk too much about Freemasonry, and be inclined to think too little of the practice, that is, of the essential thing. And so I go back to the old days of the 18th Century, within a few years of the inauguration of the Grand Lodge of England. Freemasonry under a Grand Lodge was established as a very practical affair, and I do not know of any better words I can say to you this evening than to read two extracts from our early history. The historian in the Book of Constitutions of 1738 writes that in 1722: -

'Ingenious men of all faculties and stations, being convinced that the cement of the lodge was Love and Friendship, earnestly requested to be made Masons, affecting this amicable Fraternity more than other Societies then often disturbed by warm disputes.'

And the following year, 1723, he records this:—

'Now Masonry flourished in Harmony, Reputation, and Numbers; many Noblemen and Gentlemen of the first rank desired to be admitted into the Fraternity; besides other Learned men, Merchants, Clergymen and Tradesmen, who found a Lodge to be a safe and pleasant relaxation from Intense Study of the Hurry of Business, without Politics or Party.'

With regard to the preparation of the Foreign Correspondence report we excerpt the following:—

"In the Grand Lodge Report for the year ending April, 1910, the present Grand Secretary prepared the first report on Foreign Correspondence, and a digest of the Proceedings of Sister Constitutions. As, however, the task was too heavy for one to undertake, a number of zealous and enthusiastic brethren were asked to assist; this they have done most generously and successfully during the last eight years, and Grand Lodge has from time to time placed on record its grateful thanks and appreciation for services rendered.

During the year it was suggested by the Grand Secretary that it would increase the interest in this work if the representative of each Grand Lodge would undertake to review the report of the particular Grand Lodge he represented, and that at the same time he would have the opportunity of adding to his knowledge of the condition of Freemasonry in the country or State he represented.

Most of the representatives at once readily acquiesced with the suggestion, and have undertaken the reviews this year. As several American Grand Lodges do not exchange representatives, the work of reviewing their proceedings has been undertaken by W. Bros. C. H. Beaumont, S. H. Good, A. J. Adams and J. R. Robertson, to whom Grand Lodge expresses its grateful thanks and appreciation."

BENEVOLENCE

During the year indigent Freemasons and the widows of Freemasons of various lodges to the number of seventeen have received periodical relief from the "Freemasons' Hall Trust Benevolent Fund" to the extent

of £125. From the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund thirty annuitants have received £836 5s., whilst grants to sundry brethren and widows have been made amounting to £80 3s. 9d., and the sum of £36 5s. has been paid as donations to charitable institutions, making in all a grand total of £1,377 13s. 0d., disbursed for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918.

Total membership, 6,540; increase of 375.

M.W. Bro. Arthur W. PiperGrand Master

R.W. Bro. Charles R. I. GloverGrand Secretary

SOUTH DAKOTA

The 45th annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Sioux Falls, S. Dakota, on June 10th, 1919. M.W. Bro. Geo. A. Pettigrew, Grand Master.

Addresses of welcome were delivered by the W. Masters of lodges in the City of Sioux Falls and were suitably replied to by R.W. Bro. W. B. Bird, Deputy Grand Master.

Grand Master Pettigrew in his introduction to an admirable address, says:—

"Peace and harmony prevails within our gates, and renewed industries, bounteous harvests, and prosperity throughout our Jurisdiction.

After serving this Grand Body as its Grand Secretary for twenty-five years, I deemed it a signal honor to have been advanced to the highest position within your power to bestow, that of Grand Master. To say that it came as a thunderclap out of a clear sky is mild in comparison with the surprise it gave me. Then, too, to be given this honor at a time when the whole world was at war, for this confidence and honor I am deeply appreciative, and I now appear before you with a heart filled with gratitude to render an account of my stewardship during these exacting times."

We congratulate our esteemed Brother Grand Secretary Pettigrew on his elevation to the highest office in the gift of his brethren, and also upon his complete and very interesting report, and upon his re-election to the office of Grand Secretary.

One of the foremost questions occupying the attention of all Grand Masters generally is the question of physical qualifications for membership. Bro. Pettigrew reviews previous action taken by this Grand Lodge on this question and concludes with these words:—

"I believe that intellectually, morally and socially the effect upon the candidate and upon the craft would be beneficial if, by amending or modifying the present law concerning physical perfection or qualifications, we look more closely into the intellectual, moral and social qualifications of the petitioner, and admit those only who are worthy and well qualified from these standpoints, and waive such slight physical requirements as now prohibit the reception of a petitioner who cannot perfectly exemptify."

His concluding paragraph evinces true Masonic spirit, he says:—

"Readily do we recognize that, as Masons, we have a part to play in the new day that is dawning, and every earnest member of the fraternity is asking, 'Where can we serve best?' if we are to endure as an institution

we must go out and wrestle with the tomorrow. It is a law of the universe that humanity sloughs out the useless, and any ideal or institution that is not ready to be useful now ought to suffer extinction. It is evident that only as individuals can we share the responsibilities of economic and social readjustment, and just here Masonry has its supreme opportunity. As an institution we have stood always for the constructive forces of life. It has been our mission to lead from darkness to light, from light to love, from love to life that shall endless be."

One lodge was duly constituted, and two instituted during the year \$900.00 were expended for relief during the war.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a very complete review of the origin, growth and status of the Grand Lodge of France, and concluded by recommending "That the resolutions of 1878 and 1910 of this Grand Lodge be repealed, and that the Grand Lodge of South Dakota be declared to be in accord and fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France, and that an exchange of Grand Representatives be requested by that Grand Orient." This report was referred to a special committee which submitted the following report which was subsequently adopted by Grand Lodge. The report is as follows:—

"We congratulate this Grand Body on having received this clear logical and exhaustive presentation of the history of our relationship with the Grand Orient of France, and we commend the author for his thorough and painstaking work.

We are in hearty accord with the spirit of the report and the conclusions of the committee. We believe that this Grand Lodge, in the name of the universal brotherhood, should recognize the Great Orient of France; but inasmuch as this subject is comparatively new to a large part of the membership, and in order to avoid hasty action;

We recommend that the matter be referred to a special committee who shall report at the next annual communication, and that the brethren prepare themselves to act on this subject at that time."

The proceedings contain a brief but very interesting report prepared by R.W. Bro. Chas. L. Rockway, Grand Secretary for the present year.

150 Lodges; Membership, 13,526; net gain, 622.

M.W. Bro. Walter B. Burr, Selby.....Grand Master

R.W. Bro. Geo. A. Pettigrew, Sioux FallsGrand Secretary

TEXAS

The 84th annual communication of Texas was held in the City of Waco, on Tuesday, Dec. 2nd, 1919. M.W. Bro. A. A. Ross, Grand Master, in the chair.

The address of the Grand Master covers 110 closely printed pages and is doubtless a complete record of his doings throughout the year. In it is included all the correspondence with respect to matters of discipline and misconduct in the various lodges.

Cornerstones of six public buildings were laid during the year. The M.W., the Grand Master, refused a dispensation to a lodge to lay a cornerstone of a Methodist Church building on Sunday, stating that this

Grand Lodge does not permit subordinate lodges to assemble on the Sabbath Day for any other purpose than to bury the dead.

The law governing this jurisdiction with regard to the physical perfection of its candidates is: "A candidate must be physically able to receive and impart the work without artificial aid and be physically and mentally capable of maintaining himself and family."

An appeal was made to the various lodges throughout this jurisdiction for financial assistance to those who suffered by the hurricane on the Coast of the Gulf of Mexico. The response was generous and nearly \$60,000 was distributed through the Masonic Relief office at Corpus Cristi.

In accordance with the recommendation of the M.W. the Grand Master, the sum of \$27,000 which had been subscribed as a War Relief Fund for the relief of Texas Masons and their sons made destitute by the recent war, was voted towards the erection of a hospital in connection with the Orphans' Home.

Grand Master Ross held that any transactions of purely pecuniary character between Masons should not be brought into the Masonic lodge for adjudication, but this should not be construed so as to effect in any way Masonic duty or obligation.

With regard to jurisdiction over rejected candidates he says:—

"As revealed by this correspondence, there is a wide difference in the various Grand Bodies on the question of jurisdiction over rejected applicants for the first degree. Many claim rejected material for one year; some for less time; and very few claim perpetual jurisdiction. Perhaps a majority do not seek to impose the penalty of rejection upon a candidate for the first degree who has permanently moved his domicile to another State. Such Grand Lodges assume jurisdiction over such material so soon as residence has been established under the State Laws, usually one year in the State and six months in the County, and concede to Sister Grand Jurisdiction the same privilege. I commend this plan to the thoughtful consideration of the appropriate committee. In its favor is the fact that ordinary care on the part of investigating committees will prompt inquiry at the old homes of new comers for information. It does not seem in accordance with the spirit that ought to exist between subordinate Lodges of Sister Grand Jurisdictions for members of the one to have the power, or inclination, to prescribe the qualifications of applicants to the other."

The per capita cost per month of maintaining the Masonic Orphans Home of Texas with its 251 pupils, 24 officers, teachers and employees was \$21.94.

There are also 32 widows cared for in the Home for Aged Masons at Arlington.

The brief Correspondence Report covers 68 pages and was prepared by Bro. Crenshaw, Chairman of the Committee.

Extensive quotations were made from the address of Grand Master Darling.

1,126 Lodges; 77,600 members; net gain, 6,471.

M.W. Bro. Geo. G. Morgan, El PasoGrand Master

R.W. Bro. W. B. Pearson, WacoGrand Secretary

UTAH

The 48th annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in Salt Lake City, June 21st, 1919. M.W. Bro. Herbert R. MacMillan, Grand Master. When the roll of lodges was called it was ascertained that 17 of the 20 chartered lodges of the jurisdiction were represented. Eleven of these lodges were visited by the Grand Master during his year of office. With regard to those visited he says:—

"In making the visitation a new plan of procedure was carried out in following the plan proposed by me on the night of my installation. The lodges were requested to turn the time over to the Grand Lodge. No work was exemplified. Instead written addresses prepared by the Grand Lodge officers on specially assigned subjects were read. The change was refreshing and in this manner many subjects of interest to the Craft were discussed. Wherever we went we received words of commendation for the new order of things.

Addresses were delivered upon the following subjects:

What is Freemasonry and When Did it Originate?
Symbolism in Masonry.
Requirements of Masonry as to Religion.
Innovations in Masonry.
Our Ritual—Whence and How Derived.
Washington—the Mason.
History of the Grand Lodge and Development of the Three Degrees."

A communication was received by this Grand Lodge from the United Grand Lodge of England which was reported as follows:

"Under date of September 18th a communication from the United Grand Lodge of England was received stating that the English Lodges would not initiate a citizen of the United States or elect to membership in an English Lodge one retaining membership in an American Lodge, without first receiving a waiver of jurisdiction from the American Lodge located at his place of legal residence, whether soldier, sailor, or civilian, the waiver to be passed through the Grand Lodge of the State.

In the letter the hope was expressed that the course thus taken would commend itself to the Grand Lodges in the United States "as an earnest of the sincere desire of the English Freemasons to work in closest unity and amity with their American Brethren; and as the Grand Master of this Body I was asked to communicate my opinion as to whether the steps thus taken will promise to secure the aim the United Grand Lodge of England had in view, namely, and to quote, 'That of preserving in the fullest degree the rights and privileges of each Independent Jurisdiction over its own citizens.' I immediately replied by stating that in my opinion the action taken would meet with the full approval of our Grand Lodge and would be accepted in the spirit in which the action was taken."

With regard to the Masonic War Relief Association of the United States he reports:—

"The Masonic War Relief Association, with general offices in Cincinnati, Ohio, under date of Nov. 15th, 1918, appealed to us for donations. They desire to raise for the present year the following sums for the purpose stated:

\$20,000 for the support of the Masonic Orphanage of Paris, France.

\$20,000 to \$30,000 for the support of the Masonic War Hospital, of London.

\$20,000 for the re-establishment of the Masonic Lodges of Belgium.

This War Relief Association was established in Nov., 1914, since which time up to Sept. 1st, 1918, it has received a grand total of \$111,908.65 in donations, with which to carry on its work. Twenty-seven of the Grand Jurisdiction have made donations—we have not." Donations have been received from one or more of the various branches of Masonry in every state in the Union except Georgia and Rhode Island, according to the report forwarded to us.

In my opinion this Grand Lodge should also make a donation unless it shall be decided that we should become a member of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, hereinafter to be referred to, in which event our donations had perhaps better all go to that organization.

The Senior Grand Warden gave a very full report of the conference at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, during the year. The recommendations contained therein were adopted by Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following report which was adopted:—

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Utah hereby recognizes the Grand Lodge of France as an independent and sovereign Masonic Power and grants its request for an exchange of representatives.

2. The Grand Orient of Italy: Early in the year a letter from the Grand Orient of Italy requesting recognition was forwarded to this Committee by our Grand Secretary. Your Committee would have found pleasure in recommending a compliance with this request but for one all-sufficient reason.

It appears that the Grand Orient of Italy has chartered constituent lodges within the jurisdiction of five American Grand Lodges.

The Grand Lodge of Utah, from the date of its organization, has placed its seal of disapproval upon such disregard of the jurisdictional rights of sovereign Masonic powers.

This it seems to your Committee is the only safe position to occupy in order that we may not be responsible for discord among the Craft.

Resolved, That until the Grand Orient of Italy sees fit to withdraw the charters of the lodges which it has erected within the jurisdiction of American Grand Lodges, the Grand Lodge of Utah cannot consider the question of fraternal relations.

The Committee on New Lodges recommended that no additional lodges be established at this time in view of the limited population of the territory covered; but where feasible Masonic circles or clubs be encouraged. Their recommendation was adopted by Grand Lodge.

The usual custom of presenting a signet ring by the retiring to the incoming Grand Master was performed in an impressive manner in the presence of Grand Lodge.

Bro. S. H. Goodwin, P.G.M., presented the report on Correspondence, covering 150 pages. Much care has been exercised and time given to compile such a complete and interesting report. He concludes his report with an interesting article on American Grand Lodges and French Masonry.

We are pleased to note that only three lodges in this jurisdiction do not carry fire insurance.

They expended for Charity \$3,684.14 during the year.

20 lodges. 2,841 members.

M.W. Bro. Arthur C. Wherry, Salt Lake City...Grand Master

R.W. Bro. F. A. McCarty, Salt Lake City.....Grand Secretary

VIRGINIA

The 141st annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Richmond, on Feb 11th, 1919. M.W. Bro. E. L. Cunningham, Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge of Virginia was the first independent Grand Lodge organized on the American continent.

The address of the M.W. the Grand Master is one of the most interesting and instructive which it has been my privilege to read. I regret that lack of space prevents me from quoting at greater length from this excellent address. We have pleasure in quoting the following:—

"It is said that Sandalphan, the angel of prayer, gathers the prayers as he stands and they change into flowers in his hands, into garlands of purple and red, and through the gates of the City Immortal is wafted the fragrance they shed. Tonight let our memories go down the corridors of time to the organization of the Grand Lodge of Virginia in Williamsburg so many years ago and as we go back in memory we can recall the glorious acts of Masonry. Wonderful, indeed, has been the influence that has been exerted in bringing men closer together and in carrying into their hearts sunshine and dispelling darkness; in implanting joy where grief did dwell; imparting the lessons that happiness comes from making others happy; and inculcating the lessons that men should look with pitying eye upon their weaker brother; that they should stretch forth their hands to sustain and comfort a falling brother; that they should give out of their abundance to those in need; and they should tie their brethren to themselves with the golden thread of brotherly love. We know that this Grand Lodge has been enabled to pursue its brilliant course because the Masons of Virginia have been doing those things outlined above. We believe it to be true that the prayers of those in whose lives we have let in a little sunshine; those to whom a word of cheer and encouragement has enabled them to "go over the top" and conquer where otherwise they might have failed; those to whom the warm grasp of the hand given in fraternal sympathy and love when the death angel has come, have made them realize that we are the sharers in their sorrows and griefs, the widows and orphans from whose eyes the tears have been wiped, and who welcomed with joy, the comfort and consolation given when the dark clouds gathered not only in the material sense but also in the protecting care of the brethren, have gone up through the great arch of the portal and by the mysterious and wonderful power of Sandalphan has been changed into garlands of purple and red that now adorn the fair brow of Masonry, and we can detect the fragrance that is wafted from those flowers, roses of love and affection, which is more precious and more to be desired and appreciated by the true Mason than precious jewels.

One of the reasons given for the election of a Grand Master and the subsequent formation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia was that without a Grand Master and a Grand Lodge „the craft can never meet in annual communication manifesting that brotherly love and affection, the distinguishing characteristics from the beginning.” And how true this has been proven by the history of this Grand Lodge. As the Hebrew of old came up from Jerusalem yearly to offer up his sacrifices to God and there render his devotion, so it is that the members of Grand Lodge gather once each year at this shrine, to renew the many and pleasant friendships have been formed within these walls and by their actions to each other, and by their legislation governing the craft have shown indeed that the Grand Lodge has been the place where brotherly love and affection have prevailed, and out from this Grand Lodge has gone such an influence that in each lodge, this same characteristic of brotherly love and affection prevails among all the members.”

He recommended “That the Jurisprudence Committee be directed to take under consideration and report to the Grand Lodge in 1920, for its consideration, such changes in our laws as will provide that no man shall be allowed to petition in Virginia who has been rejected by a lodge, either in this Grand Jurisdiction or outside of this Grand Jurisdiction, until the objection is removed in the lodge which refused his petition, and that the Grand Lodge of Virginia serves notice upon the Masonic world that they will not consider any man to have been regularly made a Mason who has been rejected by a lodge in Virginia unless the objection has been removed by the lodge that refused his petition.”

Two brethren of this jurisdiction failed to disclose previous rejection when petitioning a lodge, and were expelled from the Craft.

He refused to approve of a by-law which prohibits smoking in a lodge room during the session of a lodge, giving as his reasons that the W. Master rules and governs his lodge and has the power, if he so desire, to permit it, and if he does not desire, to prohibit it. One cannot imagine, however, a W. Master allowing his brethren to violate the rules of propriety to the extent of permitting the brethren to do so, especially during the session of the lodge.

He refused to grant permission to a lodge to lay a cornerstone of a church on Sunday. With this we heartily concur.

He was asked as to the reliability of a Life Insurance Co., that only insured members of the Fraternity, but wisely refused to give an opinion on the matter.

With regard to the physical qualifications of candidates, he ruled that if a man can comply with the ritual without the aid of friendly or artificial assistance, his petition can be received, but not otherwise.

With regard to law and order, he says:—

“A new and most important duty is laid upon the members of the Masonic Order which must not be evaded if this nation, inculcating justice and liberty, is to remain so. As an Entered Apprentice, you are told that in the State you were to be a quiet and peaceful citizen, true to the government and just to your country. You were to patiently submit to legal authority and conform with cheerfulness to the government of the country in which you lived.

"I am afraid that there is a tendency now that the battle of liberty has been won to loosen up in our attitude to constituted authority. We have many instances since the armistice was signed where bodies of men, trying to avenge fancied wrongs or imaginary insults, have taken the law in their own hands, destroyed property and even threatened the lives of those who had displeased them. An appeal to constituted authority would have righted any injustice, either real or imaginary. Even joy and hilarity, caused by our victory, has ended up in destruction of property, in pillaging of stores, and, in some cases, by those who wore the uniform and were supposed to be the protectors and defenders of the liberties the properties and rights of the people.

"The condition in which the people of Russia, Germany and Austria now find themselves may be the forerunner of what we may expect in this country unless strict vigilance is taken by those who love their country. The spirit of Bolsheviki is as dangerous in one extreme as was the military autocracy of Germany and Austria in the other. We have had evidence in this country within the last several months that the germ of the Bolsheviki has been transplanted in the United States.

If you love your country, if you desire that justice, liberty, equality and prosperity shall dwell therein, remember that it can only do so when each respects the rights of his neighbor and all shall conform cheerfully to the government under which they live. The duty which I call upon you to perform is to make each Masonic Lodge a centre of light, out of which shall go an influence for cheerful submission to legal and constituted authority. In the days that are to come—those days of reconstruction, those days when men who have battled to free the world from the submission to military autocracy take their places back into the peaceful avocations from which they were drawn when they lay aside the uniform of the soldier to put on the dress of the citizen—let the lesson of the downfall of military autocracy, the failure of these nations to practice justice, remain with them and inspire them to be exemplars in their respective communities to submit to constituted and legal authority and to see that justice shall prevail."

He recommended that the per capita tax of Grand Lodge be fixed at \$2.00 per member. 75 cents for the maintenance of Grand Lodge. \$1.00 for the support of a Masonic Home, and 25 cents for the maintenance of the Grand Charity Fund.

With respect to the Independent Grand Lodge of France, he says:—

"I recommend that the official recognition which was given to the Independent Grand Lodge of France and its provinces be withdrawn. It is evident to me that there is no difference between the Grand Lodge that we have recognized and the Grand Lodge that we refused to recognize at the last Grand Annual Communication for the reasons set forth herein.

"I am opposed to the recognition of any body calling themselves Masons, who do not require a belief in God and have the Holy Bible upon the Altar. I am aware that some Grand Lodges have given permission to their membership to visit lodges in France, but I have ruled that no member of a lodge in Virginia may visit any lodge that holds its charter from a Grand Lodge that is not recognized by this Grand Lodge. A lodge that calls itself Masonic but does not require a belief in Deity and does not have the Holy Bible upon the Altar, is not a Masonic body to me, regardless of what name they may have placed upon their organization."

He also recommended that each petitioner to a lodge should be required to contribute \$5.00 to charity, prior to the conferring of the entered Apprentice Degree, half of which should go to the Endowment Fund of the Masonic Home, and the remainder to the Grand Charity Fund.

He directed that all correspondence of the Grand Master should be filed with the Grand Secretary, for future reference. There is no question as to the wisdom of such action.

He concludes his address with these beautiful words:—

"Can we not believe that as we have journeyed upward performing our true Masonic duties, stopping at times to exercise friendship, brotherly love and charity; thinking kindly of our brother and speaking tenderly and encouragingly to him, that we have climbed into love and affection of our brethren, and the things which appealed to us in the beginning as being tinged and filled with hypocrisy, and meanness and envy and bitterness have changed into the pure gold of sincere affection and love.

"We have carried with us on our journey upward the torch of truth whereby we have been enabled to cut the steps in the cliffs which have enabled us to ascend. We have carried some one with us to safety, and as we reach to the top, the vision is beautiful to behold, and climbing over hardships, trials and temptations, we have reached up to the highest mark that we set when we started our Masonic career, which is the hearts of grateful humanity.

"Joshua of old called upon the Children of Israel asking, "Choose you this day whom will you serve?" I call upon the Masons of Virginia and summon them as did Joshua of old, to say where they stand today upon the problems that are confronting not only the Masonic world but the people of this country. Are you willing to make sacrifices? Are you willing to stand suffering? Are you willing to render service to suffering humanity? Are you willing to stand for law and order? Are you willing to obey the moral law? Are you willing to be charitable in your views? Are you willing to exercise that friendship which lovingly and tenderly puts an arm of affection around the shoulders of a brother? Are you willing to stand high upon the platform of brotherly love? If so, I ask you to give evidence of what you believe and are willing to by the service you render this year to the Masonic Order and to the Masons of Virginia, and the sacrifices and suffering you are willing to endure in order that humanity may be benefitted thereby. I summon you to this high calling. Will you obey the summons?"

The reports of the 57 D.D.G.M.'s are interesting, many of our other Grand Jurisdictions might well learn the lesson from the brevity and definiteness of these reports.

We congratulate Bro. J. W. Eggleston on the excellence of his Fraternal Correspondence report. Would that we had more time to examine the same.

319 Lodges. 28,467 members.

M.W. Bro. Sol Cutchins, Richmond.....Grand Master

R.W. Bro. Charles A. Nesbitt, Richmond.....Grand Secretary

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Communications of this Grand Lodge are held quarterly. The annual

communication was held at Freemasons' Hall, Perth, on April 24th, 1919. M.W. Bro. William Ellison-Macartney, Grand Master.

Permission was granted to a certain lodge to go into recess for a period of twelve months. The reason given for the application was the depression at present prevailing in the district due to the war and the closing of the principal mine which made it difficult to secure the attendance of the number of brethren necessary to hold the meeting.

The Grand Master in the course of his address says:—

"I have been specially pleased to notice in this jurisdiction, for I hold most strongly that nothing can be more beneficial to Masonry itself, and also to the happiness, harmony and progress of a lodge that that the Past Masters so long as they are able should take an active interest in the lodge itself and in the work that is being carried on there."

With regard to Queensland, he says:—

"Probably the most important thing that has occurred with relation to Masonry throughout Australia is the communications which have been sent from the Grand Lodge of England and its Sister Grand Lodge of Scotland, to their respective District Grand Lodges in Queensland. They have at last agreed on a common policy with regard to the unfortunate circumstances which have distracted, to a certain extent, the Freemasons of the State of Queensland, and which also have been a great embarrassment to Freemasonry throughout Australia. They have now recommended their two District Grand Lodges to form another Grand Lodge, not for the purpose of setting itself up against the Grand Lodge of Queensland, but for the purpose of coming to a mutual agreement and forming what, I trust, and am sure every Mason in this room and throughout Australia will hail with pleasure, will be the commencement of a United Grand Lodge in Queensland, thus putting an end to a state of affairs which cannot be for the benefit of Masonry in that State, nor is it a benefit indeed for Freemasonry in any part of the world. In all these lodges in Queensland, none of which I know personally, though I have from time to time interested myself very much in the actual occurrences of the past, I am convinced that the great majority of the members are excellent Masons, sincerely anxious to do everything that can benefit Masonry, and I believe that the great majority of Masons there would really hail with pleasure any basis of reconstruction which would bring them all under one common head. I am sure this Grand Lodge will, like all the other Grand Lodges in Australia, look with great anxiety at the proceedings in Queensland, and will trust that, under the Providence of the Great Architect of the Universe, the minds of the brethren in Queensland will be so directed that the divisions which have occurred there may be healed in a truly Masonic spirit."

This Grand Lodge has a fund known as The Trench Comforts Fund. £708 was expended for the purchase of goods in Sydney to be forwarded to the Australian troops at the front.

Grand Master Ellison-Macartney was unanimously re-elected for the ensuing year.

The total credit balances of this Grand Lodge now amount to £39,983

This Grand Lodge was formed seventeen years ago with a total membership of 2,000, which has now increased to 4,488.

The Board of Management of the Western Australia Widows, Orphans, and Aged Masons' Fund reported that last year has been the most successful one in the history of the Fund, having an increase of £1,796, 14s 10d during the year. One lodge with a membership of 97 contributed £83, 5s. They expended towards the support of 39 orphan children, 3 aged brethren, and 3 aged widows of Freemasons, last year, £589. It is interesting to note that a guardian has been appointed to personally supervise each beneficiary of Grand Lodge. The interest earned by the Fund since its inauguration thirteen years ago has just been sufficient to care for those requiring assistance from this Fund. The total amount of this Fund stands at £12,896, 14s. 2d.

The Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that each lodge purchase a copy of the proceedings for each candidate raised during the year, as a means of advancing their Masonic knowledge and stimulating their interest in the Craft. The report on Foreign Correspondence is prepared by several members of a Committee chosen for that purpose. Their results indicate that the members have been wisely elected.

68 Lodges. 4,488 members. Net increase 211.

M.W. Bro. William Ellison-Macartney.....Grand Master

R.W. Bro. J. D. Stevenson, Perth.....Grand Secretary

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